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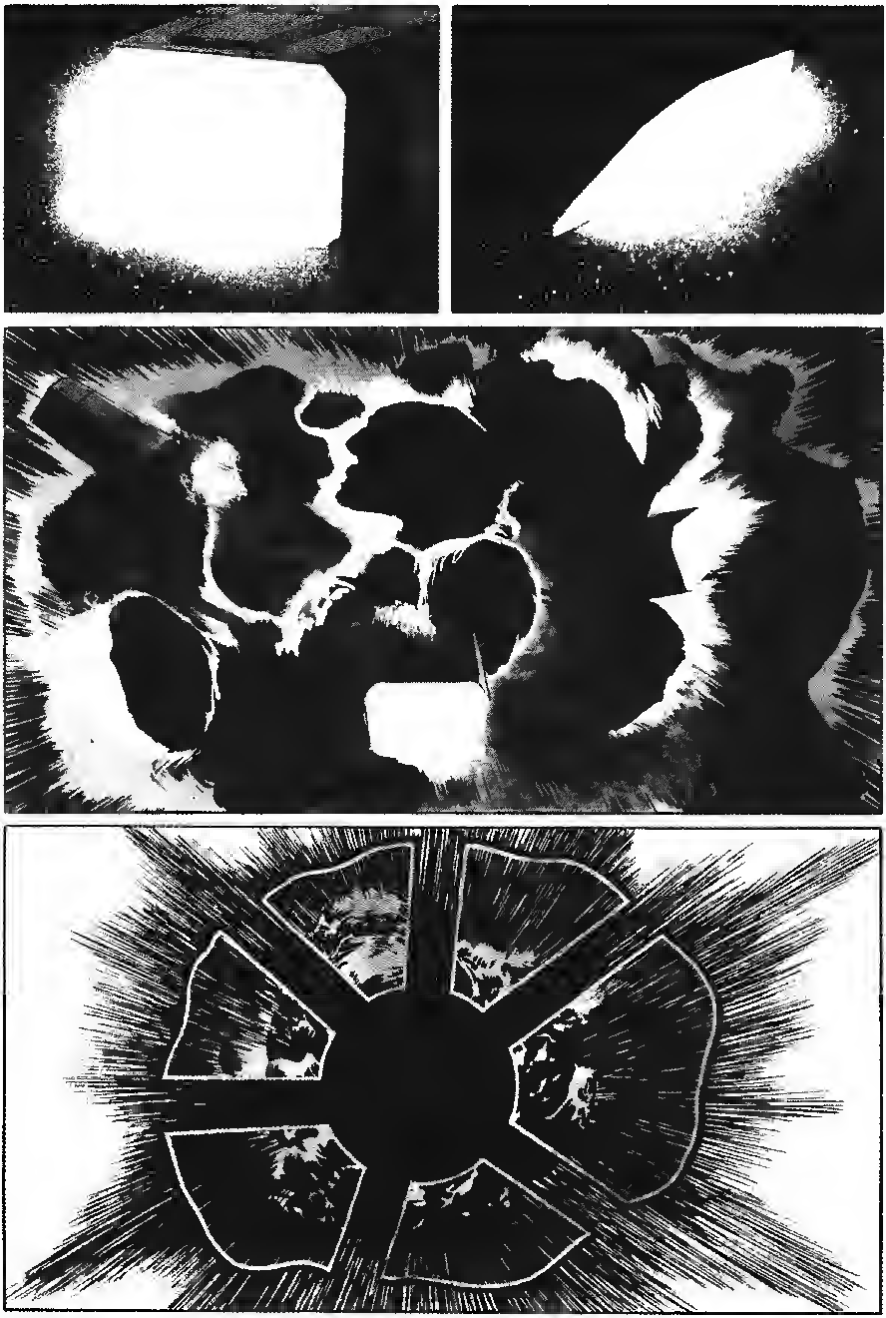
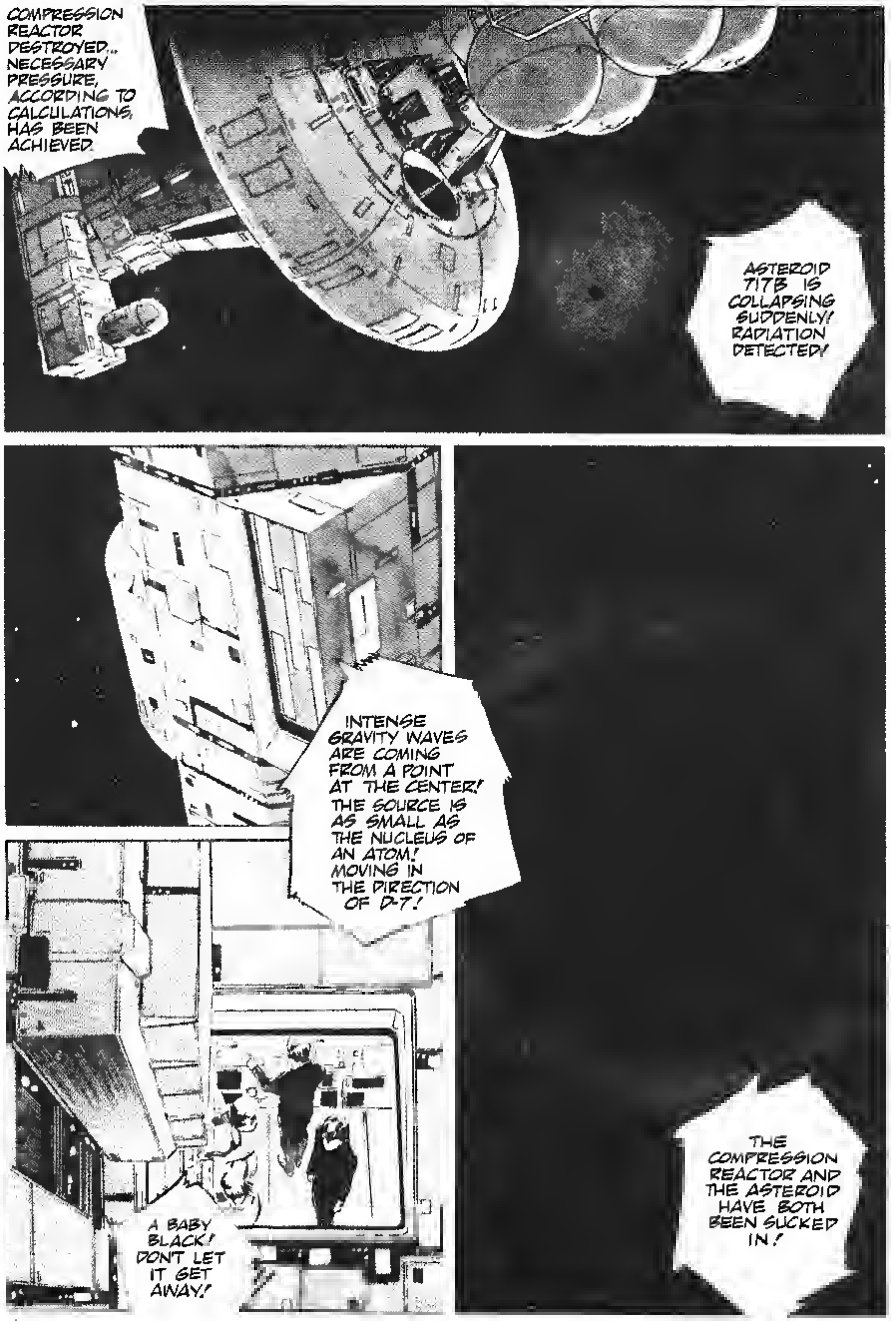
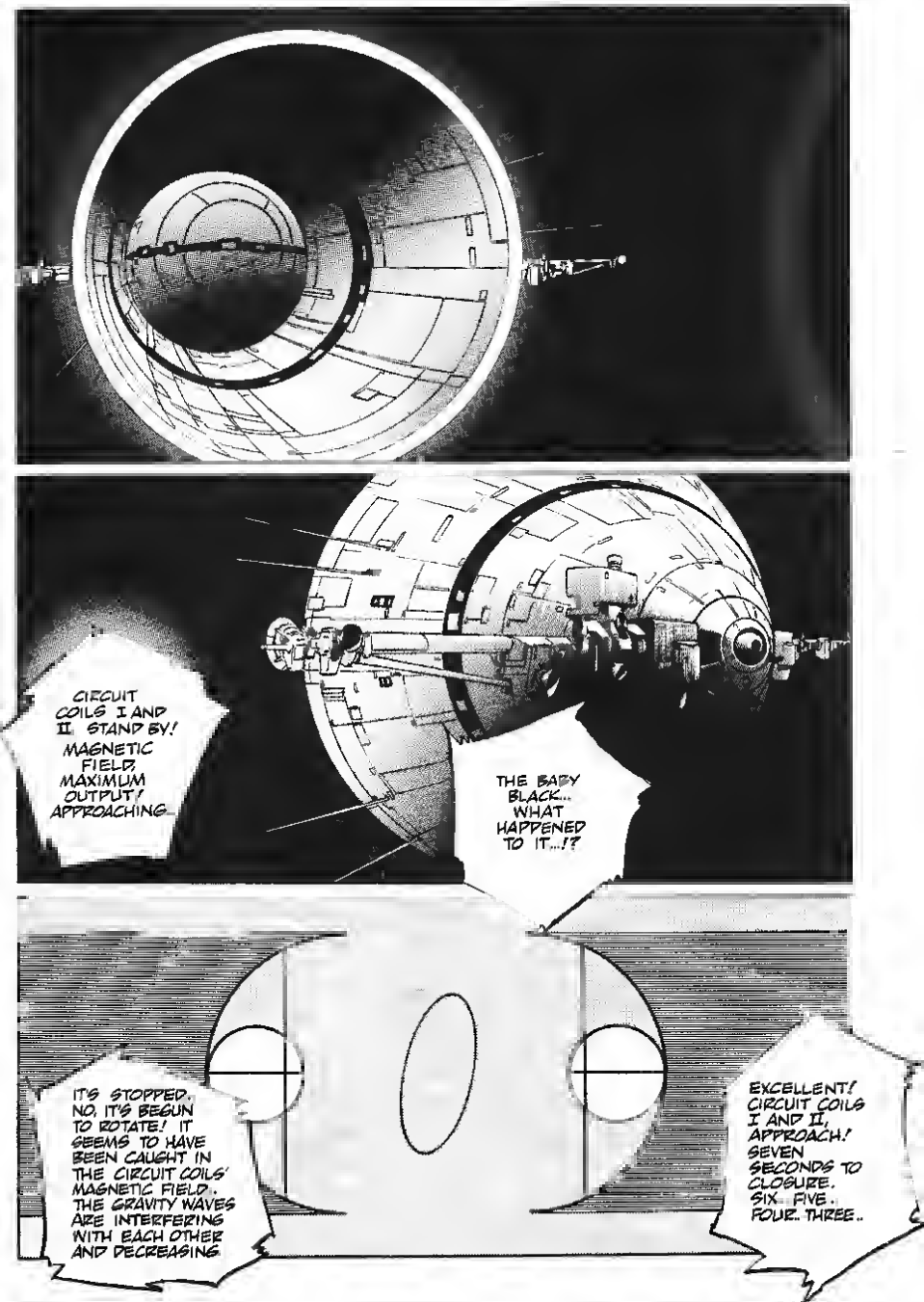
Night 8:

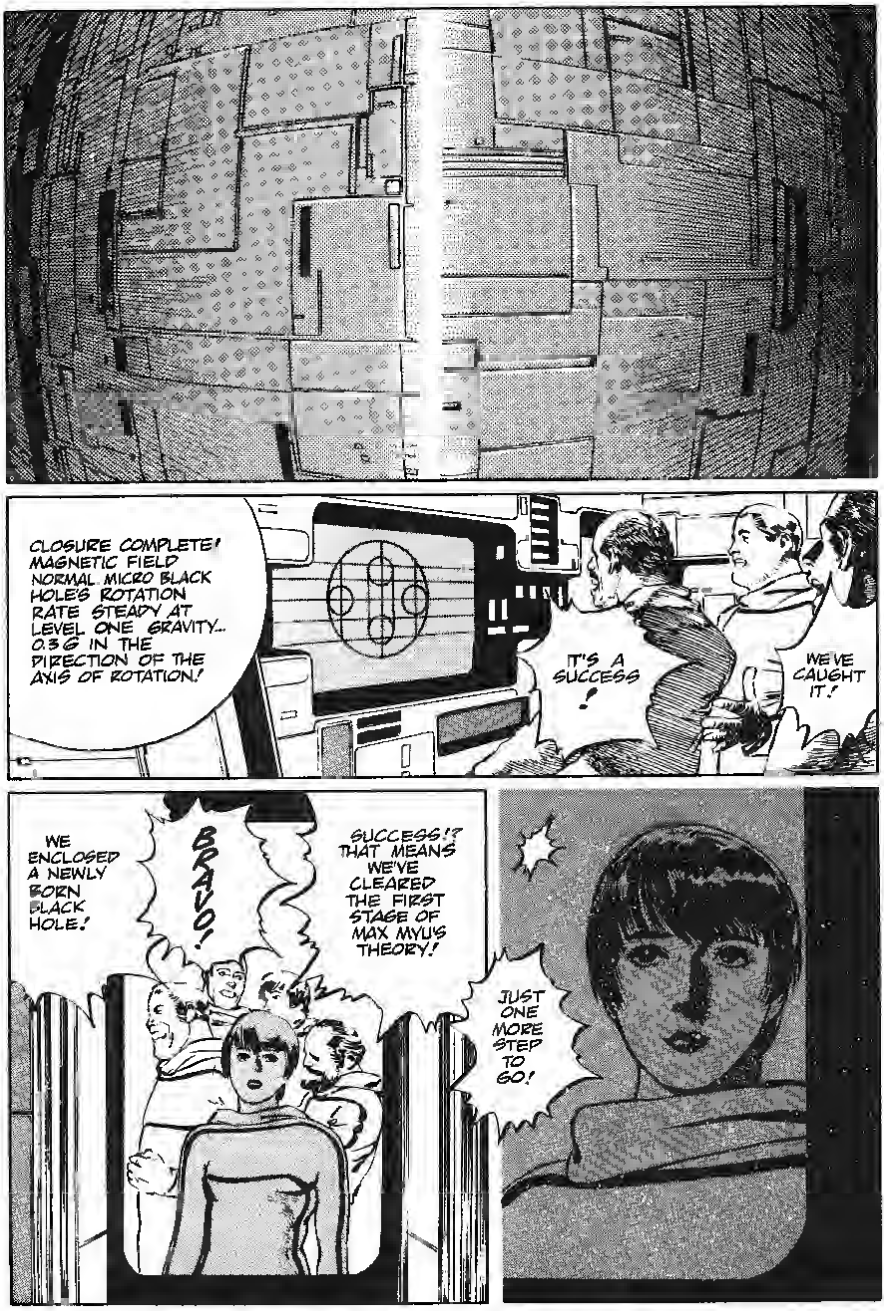
The Lights of Heaven

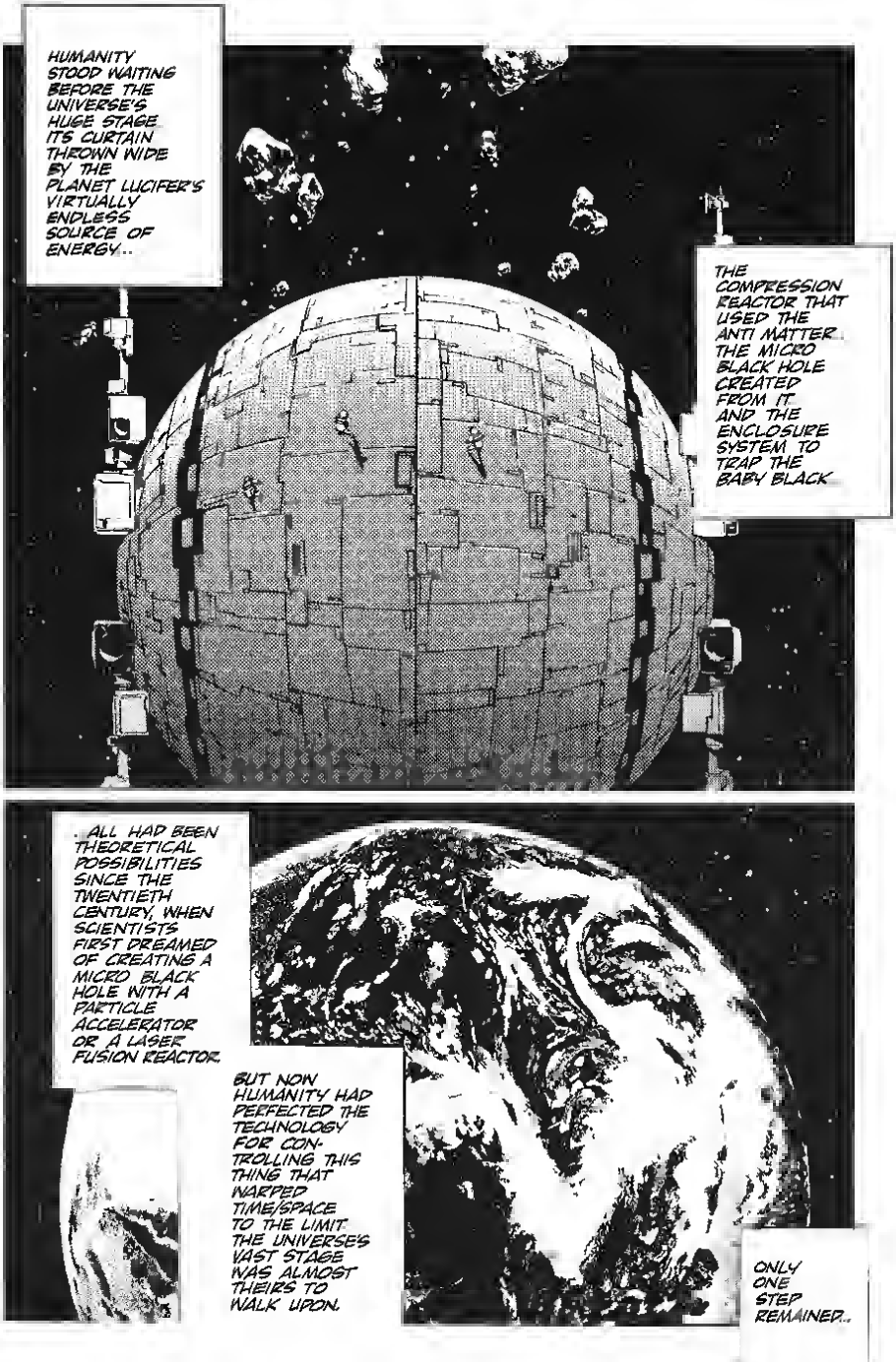
LOADING OF ANTI MATTER COIL-CAPSULE NUMBER THREE.. COMPLETE.
NUMBER SEVEN COMPLETE
COMPRESSION REACTOR STAND BY!
SHUT DOWN MAGNETIC FIELD!
FIVE SECONDS TO COMPRESSION. FOUR.. THREE.. TWO...ONE..




COMPRESSION REACTOR DESTROYED... NECESSARY PRESSURE, ACCORDING TO CALCULATIONS, HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.
ASTEROID 71B IS COLLAPSING SUDDENLY! RADIATION DETECTED!
INTENSE GRAVITY WAVES ARE COMING FROM A POINT AT THE CENTER! THE SOURCE IS AS SMALL AS THE NUCLEUS OF AN ATOM! MOVING IN THE DIRECTION OF D-7!
A BABY BLACK! DON'T LET IT GET AWAY!
THE COMPRESSION REACTOR AND THE ASTEROID HAVE BOTH BEEN SUCKED IN!


CIRCUIT COILS I AND II STAND BY! MAGNETIC FIELD, MAXIMUM OUTPUT! APPROACHING...
THE BABY BLACK... WHAT HAPPENED TO IT...!?
IT'S STOPPED. NO, IT'S BEGUN TO ROTATE! IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN CAUGHT IN THE CIRCUIT COILS' MAGNETIC FIELD... THE GRAVITY WAVES ARE INTERFERING WITH EACH OTHER AND DECREASING
EXCELLENT! CIRCUIT COILS I AND II, APPROACH! SEVEN SECONDS TO CLOSURE. SIX.. FIVE.. FOUR.. THREE..


CLOSURE COMPLETE! MAGNETIC FIELD NORMAL MICRO BLACK HOLE'S ROTATION RATE STEADY AT LEVEL ONE GRAVITY... 0.3G IN THE DIRECTION OF THE AXIS OF ROTATION!
IT'S A SUCCESS!
WE'VE CAUGHT IT!
WE ENCLOSED A NEWLY BORN BLACK HOLE!
BRAVO!
SUCCESS!? THAT MEANS WE'VE CLEARED THE FIRST STAGE OF MAX MYU'S THEORY!
JUST ONE MORE STEP TO GO!


HUMANITY STOOD WAITING BEFORE THE UNIVERSE'S HUGE STAGE ITS CURTAIN THROWN WIDE BY THE PLANET LUCIFER'S VIRTUALLY ENDLESS SOURCE OF ENERGY..
THE COMPRESSION REACTOR THAT USED THE ANTI MATTER THE MICRO BLACK HOLE CREATED FROM IT AND THE ENCLOSURE SYSTEM TO TRAP THE BABY BLACK
..ALL HAD BEEN THEORETICAL POSSIBILITIES SINCE THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, WHEN SCIENTISTS FIRST DREAMED OF CREATING A MICRO BLACK HOLE WITH A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR OR A LASER FUSION REACTOR.
BUT NOW HUMANITY HAD PERFECTED THE TECHNOLOGY FOR CONTROLLING THIS THING THAT WARPED TIME/SPACE TO THE LIMIT. THE UNIVERSE'S VAST STAGE WAS ALMOST THEIRS TO WALK UPON.
ONLY ONE STEP REMAINED..

POOSH
SAY, NOW!
AIN' THAT THE PROFESSOR'S DAUGHTER, MISS ELLIE? COME HOME, HAS SHE?

WOOF WOOF
SHHH, ALBERT.
ZZZ...

WOOF
HMM? OHH, ALBERT. HAS THE SUN GONE DOWN.
?
NOW, THEN
?
I FINALLY GOT TIME OFF, DAD ONLY TWO DAYS, BUT...
...WELL, IT'LL HAVE TO DO. I TOLD MYRA NOT TO WORRY ABOUT MAKING DINNER.

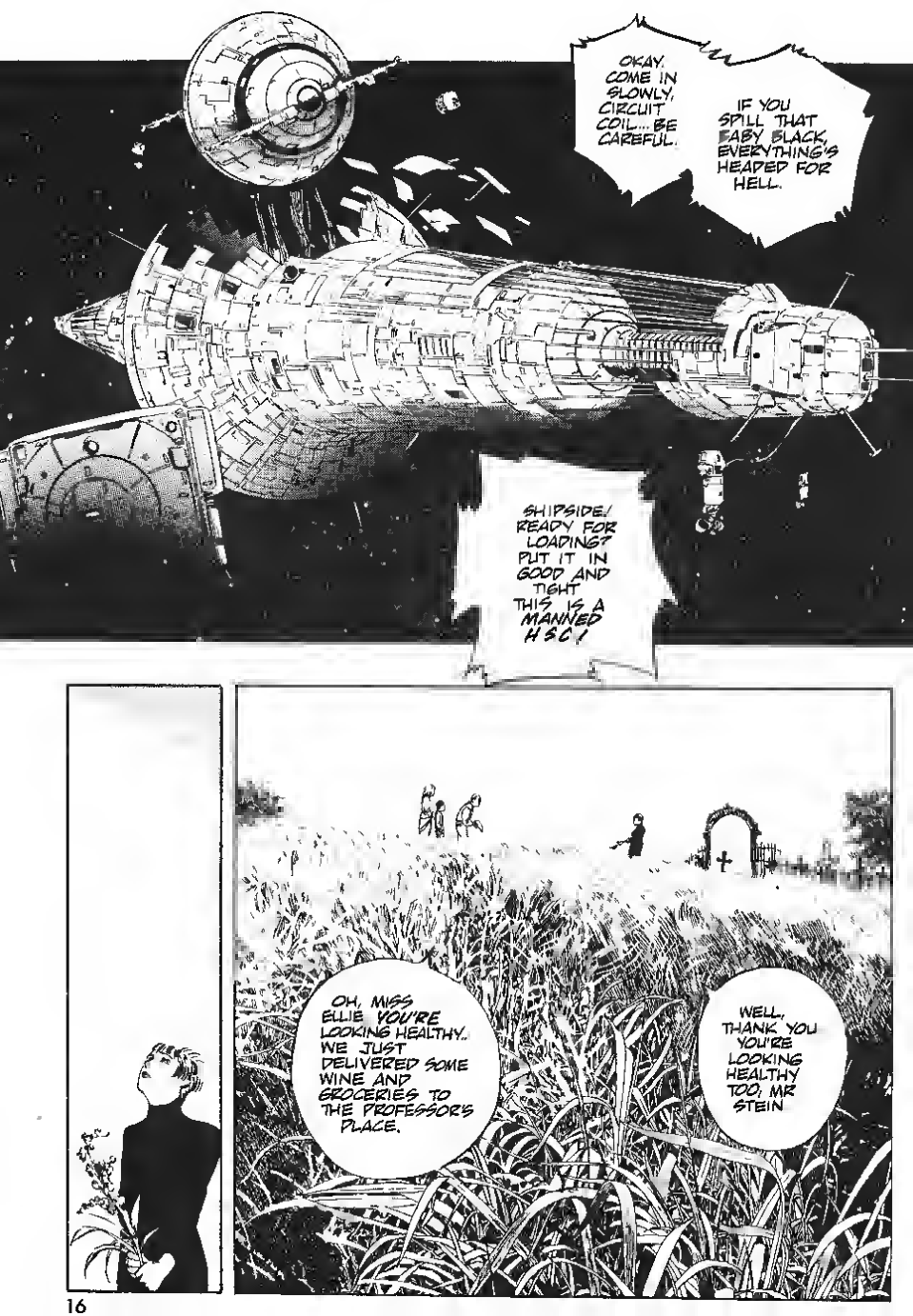
SLPP SLPP
AROOO
OH, ALBERT! NOT WINE AGAIN...?
HIC!
SOMETHING MUST HAVE MADE HIM FEEL LIKE CELEBRATING..
THE CLOUDS HAVE CLEARED..

MAX MYU'S THEORY OF THE GRAVITY FIELD MIRROR EFFECT IS EQUAL IN IMPORTANCE TO THE THEORY OF RELATIVITY..
—THE UNMANNED HYPER-SPACECRAFT JUMP WAS A FANTASTIC SUCCESS.
I'LL GRANT YOU THAT
BUT WHAT ABOUT THIS LAST H S C EXPERI-MENT? YOU SAW THAT FLATTENED MONKEY RIGHT AFTER THE JUMP, DIDN'T YOU?
THAT WAS JUST A FAILURE TO CONTROL THE BABY BLACK
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS! IF LIVING BEINGS CAN'T RIDE ON IT, THEN IT'S MEANINGLESS NO MATTER WHAT THE THEORY, ISN'T IT!?
THE GRAVITY FIELD MIRROR EFFECT ISNT SUPPOSED TO AFFECT LIVING BODIES.
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO? WILL THERE BE A MANNED EXPERIMENT OR NOT!?
SSHH
TWEEE
CHIRRUP
TWEEE
CAW
CAW
CHIRRUP

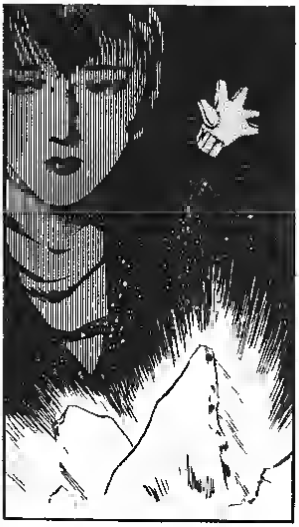
TMP
.....
WHUDD
Chak.

ELLIE, NOW LOOK AT THE CAMERA. THERE YOU, TOO, DAN.
YOU, TOO, ALBERT! LOOK! A FAMILY PICTURE!
WOOF!
HYAHA!
AHHH! NO!
DAN!
DAN! WAIT!

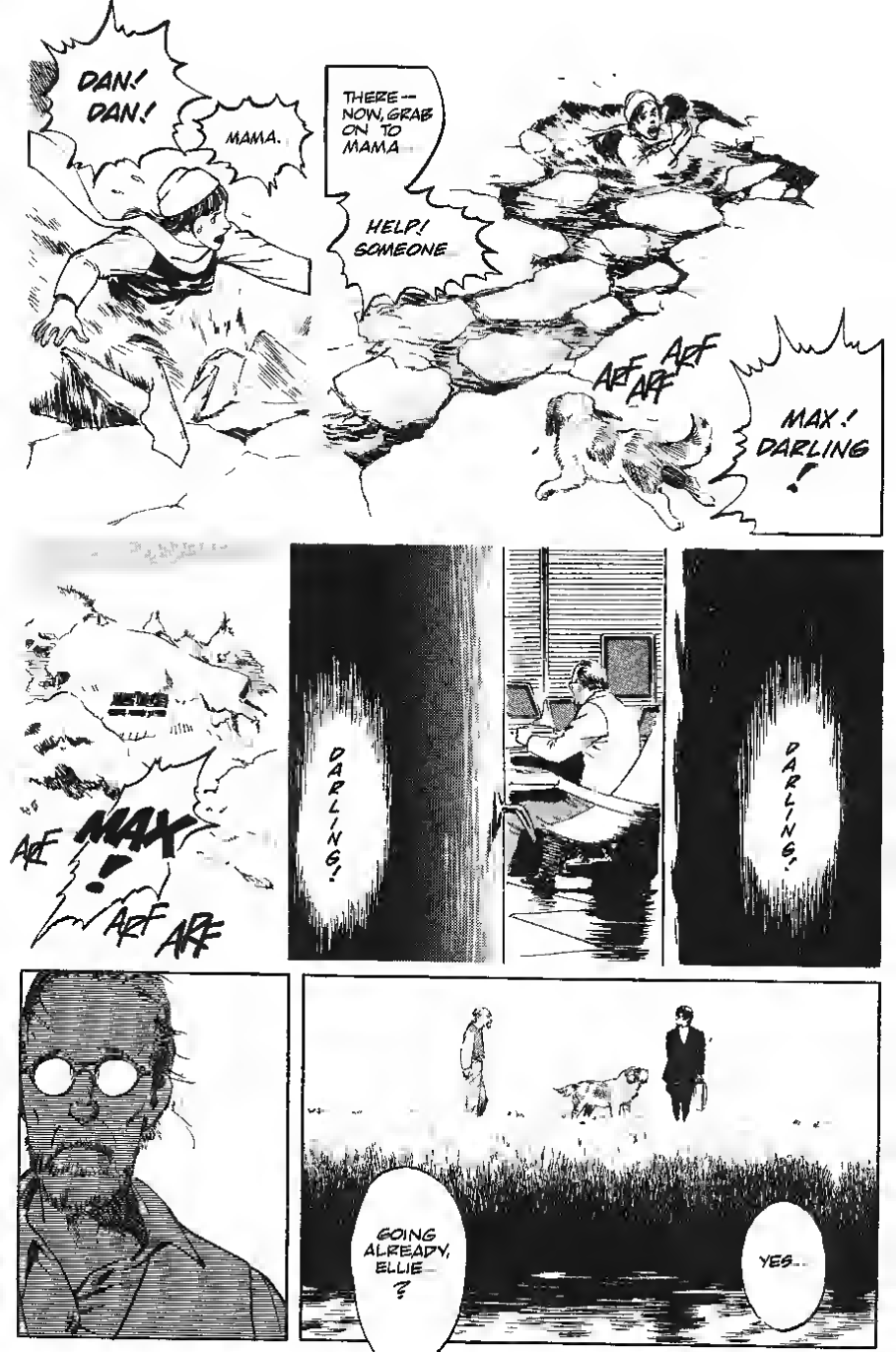
SMILE, ELLIE
BIG BROTHER. MY BIG BROTHER DAN...
.....
PROTECT ME, DAN. ALL RIGHT ?
.. YOU AND MOTHER.. PROTECT ME...


OKAY. COME IN SLOWLY, CIRCUIT COIL... BE CAREFUL.
IF YOU SPILL THAT BABY BLACK, EVERYTHING'S HEADED FOR HELL.
SHIPSIDE! READY FOR LOADING? PUT IT IN GOOD AND TIGHT THIS IS A MANNED HSC!
OH, MISS ELLIE YOU'RE LOOKING HEALTHY.. WE JUST DELIVERED SOME WINE AND GROCERIES TO THE PROFESSOR'S PLACE.
WELL, THANK YOU YOU'RE LOOKING HEALTHY TOO, MR STEIN

A TOAST... TO THE LIGHTS OF HEAVEN, MORE BEAUTIFUL HERE THAN ANY PLACE ON EARTH...
ALBERT, DO YOU HAVE DREAMS, TOO? HAVE YOU EVER DREAMED OF THE STARS...
...OF ESCAPING THE GRAVITY OF THE GROUND WITH A SINGLE KICK, FACING ALL THE LIGHTS IN THE SKY, AND FLYING OFF AT AMAZING SPEED?
NOOK!
THE MIND.. NO NEED FOR A DAMNED ROCKET!
ZZZ...
IN OUR DREAMS, GOD GRANTS US EVEN THE COMPLETELY IMPOSSIBLE...
...AND WHILE WE SLEEP ONE DAY SOMEONE WILL TURN IT INTO REALITY FOR US...
DON'T YOU THINK SO, ALBERT?

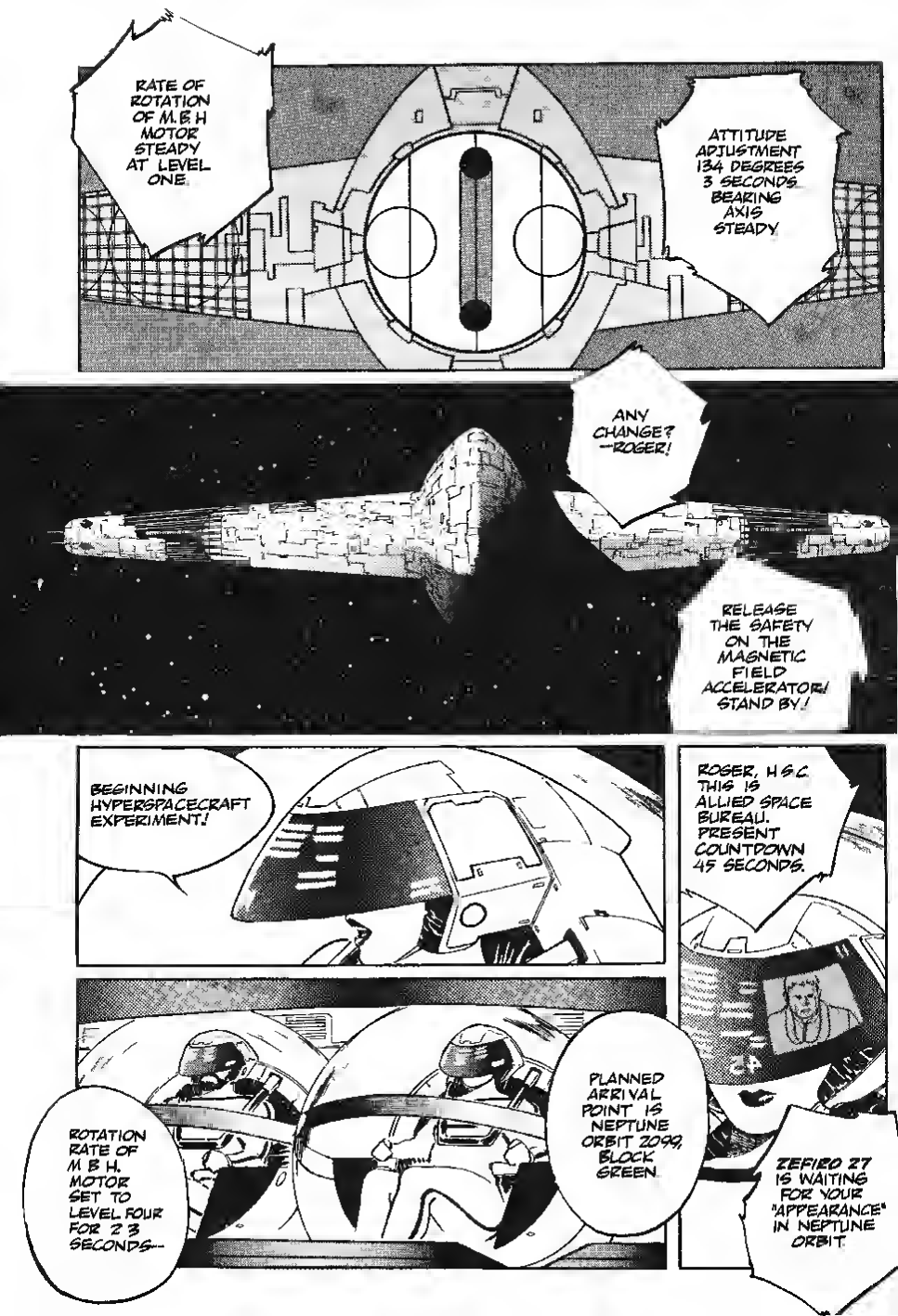


MAMA!
MAMAAA!
DAN!?

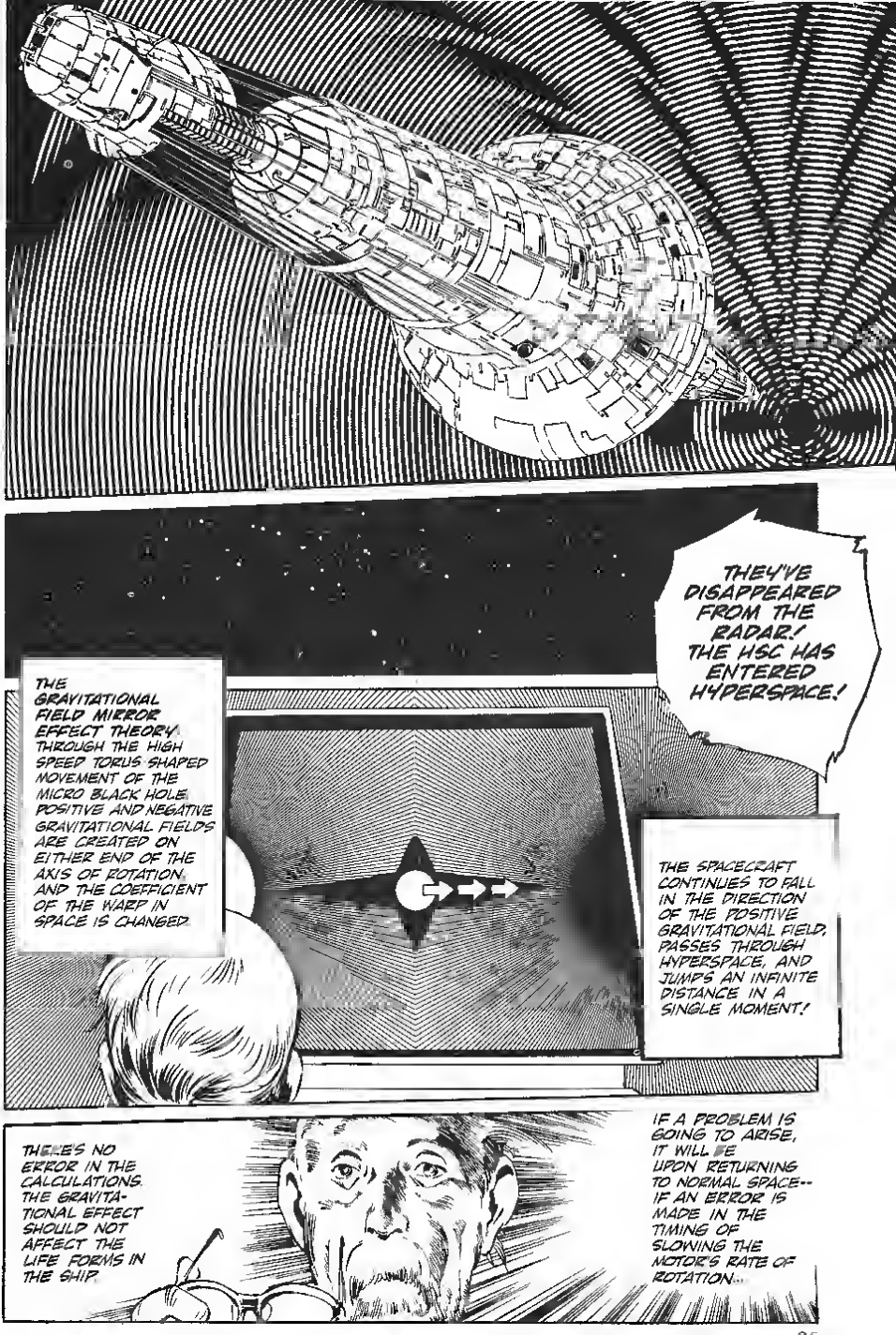

DAN! DAN!
MAMA.
THERE-- NOW, GRAB ON TO MAMA
HELP! SOMEONE
ARF ARF ARF
MAX! DARLING!
ARF MAX! ARF ARF
DARLING!
DARLING!
GOING ALREADY, ELLIE?
YES...

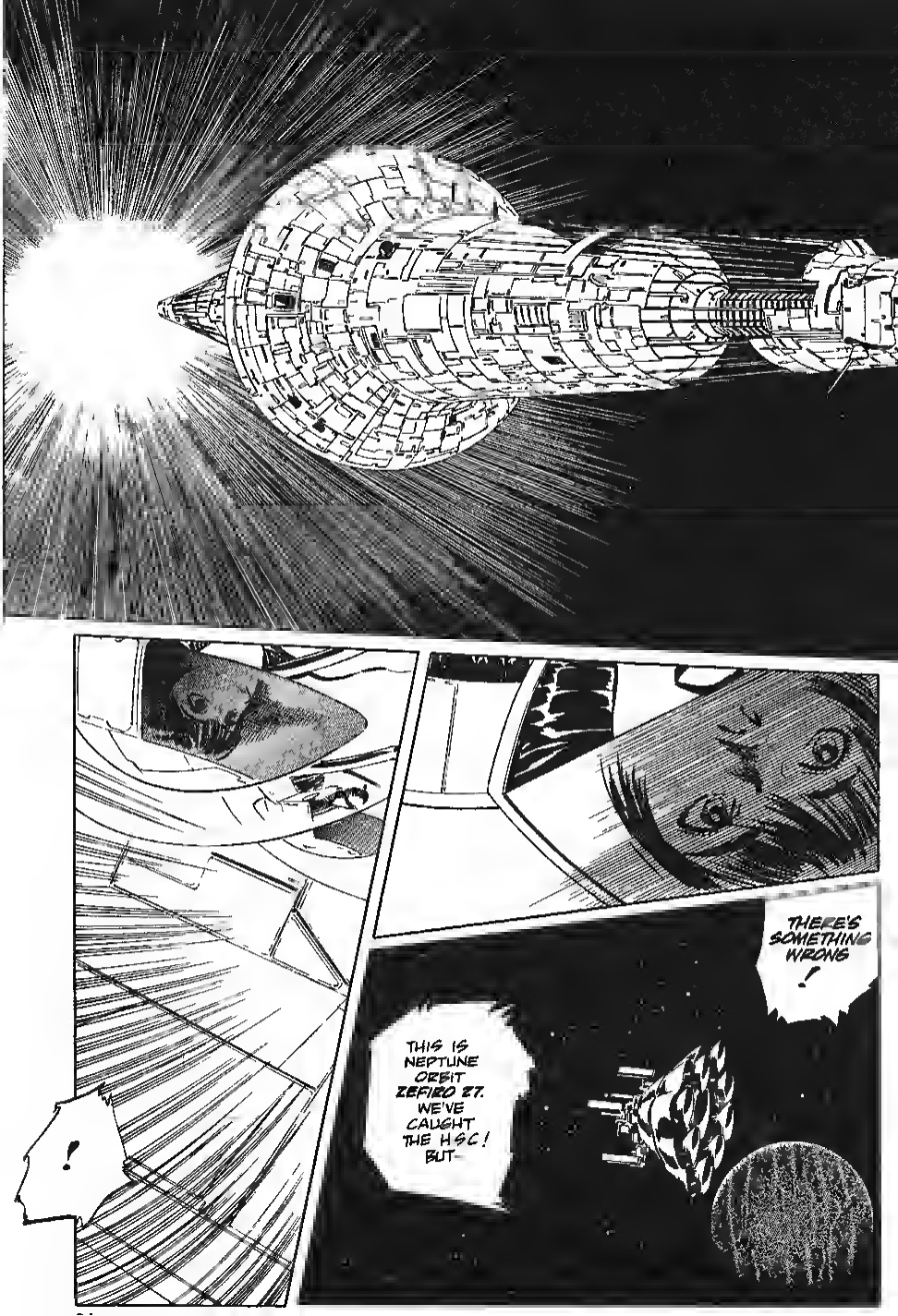
DAD.. DID YOU KNOW THAT WHEN I WAS A CHILD I HATED YOU?
"THE ONLY DAUGHTER OF THE GREAT SCIENTIST"..
SOUNDS LIKE A CORNY SOAP OPERA, DOESN'T IT?

RRRRSHHH
RRRR
SSHH
PROFESSOR MAX MYU, WE'VE COME FROM THE ALLIED SPACE BUREAU TO PICK YOU UP!
PROFESSOR MAX MYU!
ARF ARF ARF
THE HSC PROJECT IS ABOUT TO ENTER THE FINAL STAGE, A MANNED EXPERIMENT!
IM SURE YOU'RE AWARE THAT ONE OF THE TEST PILOTS IS..
!

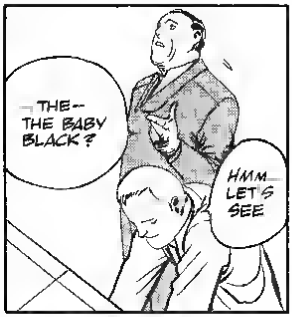

RATE OF ROTATION OF M.B.H MOTOR STEADY AT LEVEL ONE.
ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT 134 DEGREES 3 SECONDS BEARING AXIS STEADY
ANY CHANGE? --ROGER!
RELEASE THE SAFETY ON THE MAGNETIC FIELD ACCELERATOR! STAND BY!
BEGINNING HYPERSPACECRAFT EXPERIMENT!
ROGER, H.S.C. THIS IS ALLIED SPACE BUREAU. PRESENT COUNTDOWN 45 SECONDS.
ROTATION RATE OF M.B.H. MOTOR SET TO LEVEL FOUR FOR 23 SECONDS--
PLANNED ARRIVAL POINT IS NEPTUNE ORBIT 2099, BLOCK GREEN.
ZEFIRO 27 IS WAITING FOR YOUR "APPEARANCE" IN NEPTUNE ORBIT.

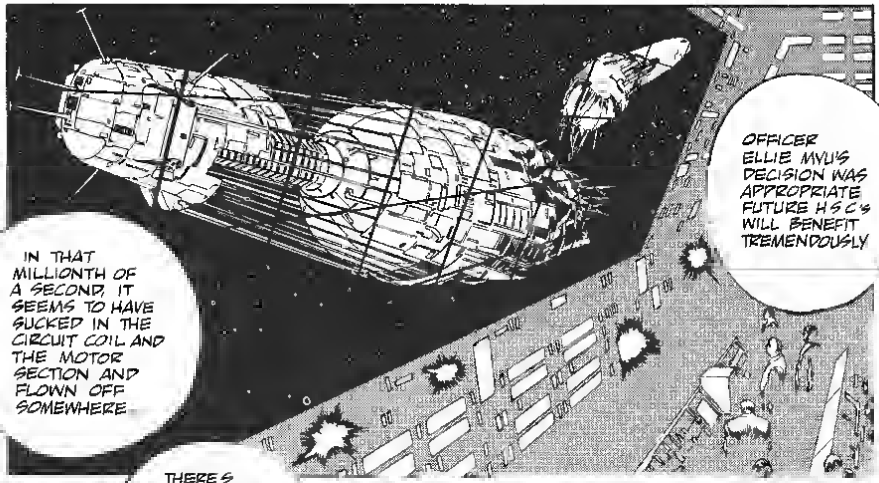
30 SECONDS
28
29...
28
SPACE OFFICER ELLIE MYU.
TWO BILLION KILOMETERS IN JUST 23 SECONDS! THAT'S TWO THOUSAND TIMES THE SPEED OF LIGHT...
24...
THE PROFESSOR ISN'T HERE... IT SEEMS HE'S WAITING AT HOME.
23...
...I KNOW.
10 SECONDS...
9...
8...
7...
6...
3...
2...
1...
MOTOR ROTATION RATE AT FOUR!
GO!


THEY'VE DISAPPEARED FROM THE RADAR! THE HSC HAS ENTERED HYPERSPACE!
THE GRAVITATIONAL FIELD MIRROR EFFECT THEORY. THROUGH THE HIGH SPEED TORUS SHAPED MOVEMENT OF THE MICRO BLACK HOLE, POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE GRAVITATIONAL FIELDS ARE CREATED ON EITHER END OF THE AXIS OF ROTATION, AND THE COEFFICIENT OF THE WARP IN SPACE IS CHANGED.
THE SPACECRAFT CONTINUES TO FALL IN THE DIRECTION OF THE POSITIVE GRAVITATIONAL FIELD, PASSES THROUGH HYPERSPACE, AND JUMPS AN INFINITE DISTANCE IN A SINGLE MOMENT!
THERE'S NO ERROR IN THE CALCULATIONS. THE GRAVITATIONAL EFFECT SHOULD NOT AFFECT THE LIFE FORMS IN THE SHIP.
IF A PROBLEM IS GOING TO ARISE, IT WILL BE UPON RETURNING TO NORMAL SPACE-- IF AN ERROR IS MADE IN THE TIMING OF SLOWING THE MOTOR'S RATE OF ROTATION...

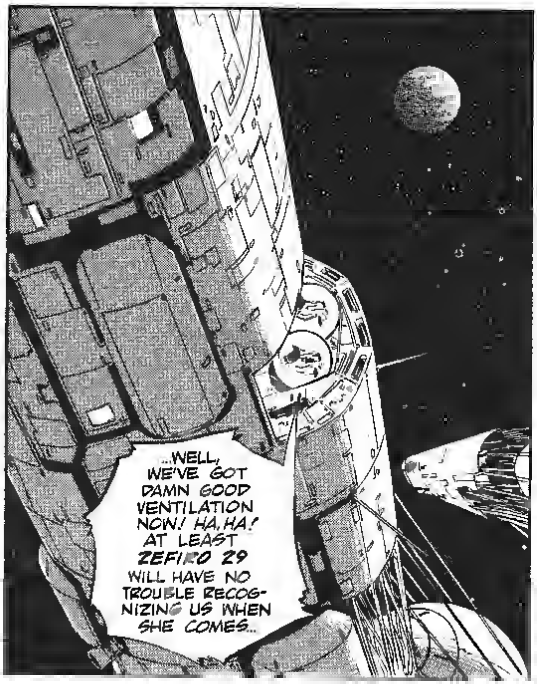

!
THIS IS NEPTUNE ORBIT ZEFIRO 27. WE'VE CAUGHT THE HSC! BUT-
THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG!

T-TIMING IS ONE THOUSANDTH OF A SECOND BEHIND!
WE'RE BEING DRAGGED BY THE ROTATION OF THE MEH! WE'RE GAINING SPEED AT AN INCREDIBLE RATE!
THE ATTITUDE CONTROL ISN'T WORKING, OFFICER MYU!
REVERSE THE MAGNETIC FIELD!!
IF WE CAN STOP THE BLACK HOLE FOR A SPLIT SECOND, THEN THE SHIP SHOULD STOP, TOO!
B-BUT BEFORE IT STOPS, THE SHIP WILL BE SUCKED IN!
LOCKOUT! STOP IT FOR ONE MILLIONTH OF A SECOND!
BAM
KRAK

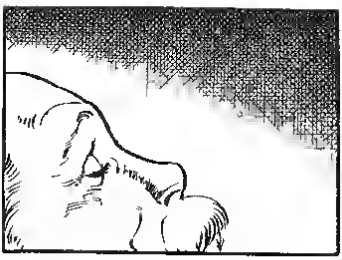

—THE— THE BABY BLACK?
HMM— LET'S SEE

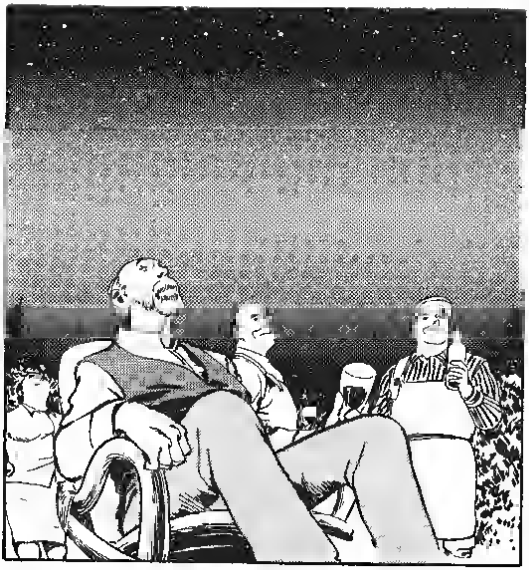

IN THAT MILLIONTH OF A SECOND, IT SEEMS TO HAVE SUCKED IN THE CIRCUIT COIL AND THE MOTOR SECTION AND FLOWN OFF SOMEWHERE...
OFFICER ELLIE MYU'S DECISION WAS APPROPRIATE. FUTURE H.S.C.'S WILL BENEFIT TREMENDOUSLY

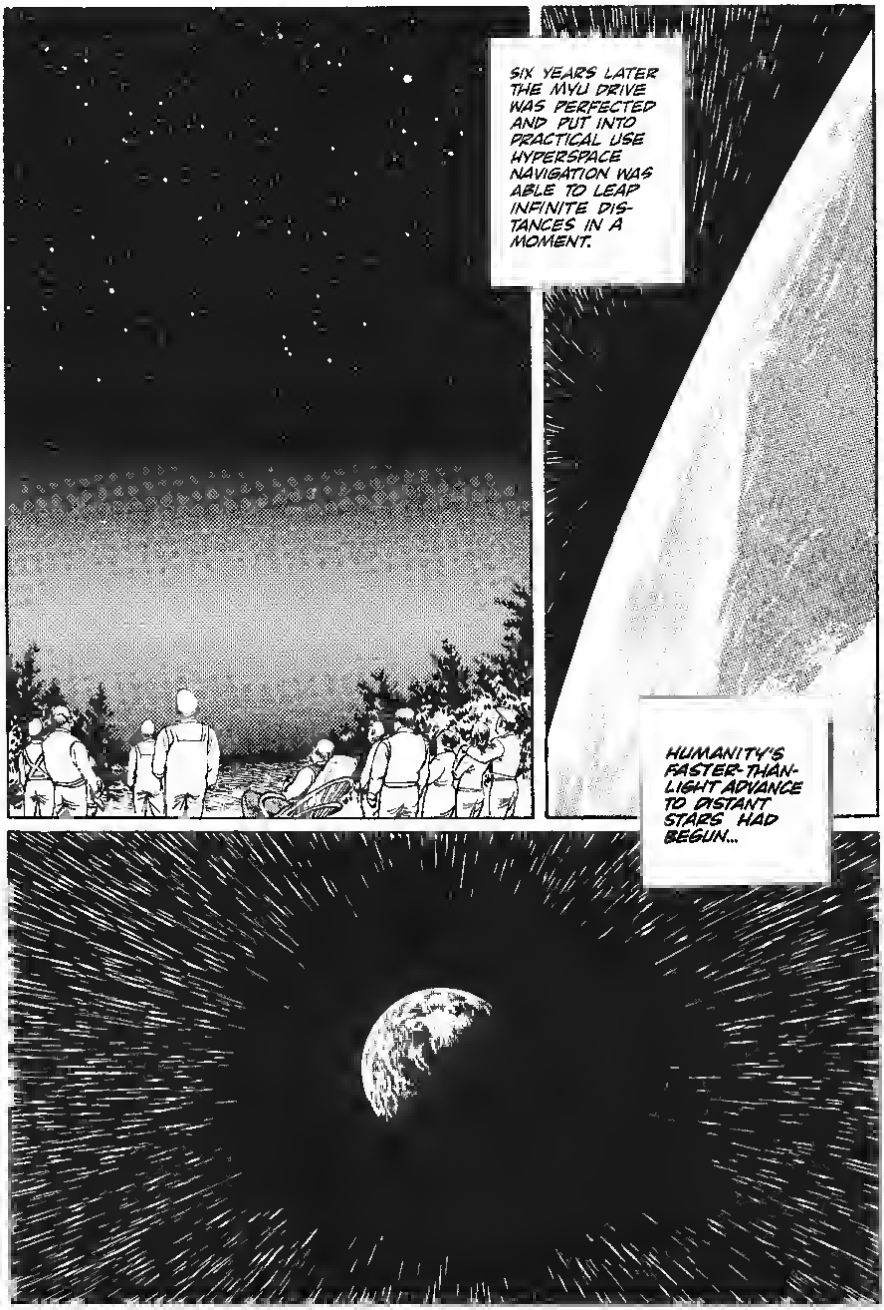
THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THE GRAVITATIONAL FIELD MIRROR METHOD OF HYPERSPACE TRAVEL CAN BE PUT TO PRACTICAL USE...


...WELL, WE'VE GOT DAMN GOOD VENTILATION NOW! HA, HA! AT LEAST ZEFIRO 29 WILL HAVE NO TROUBLE RECOGNIZING US WHEN SHE COMES...

IT LOOKS LIKE THE LIGHTS OF HEAVEN ARE WITHIN OUR REACH...

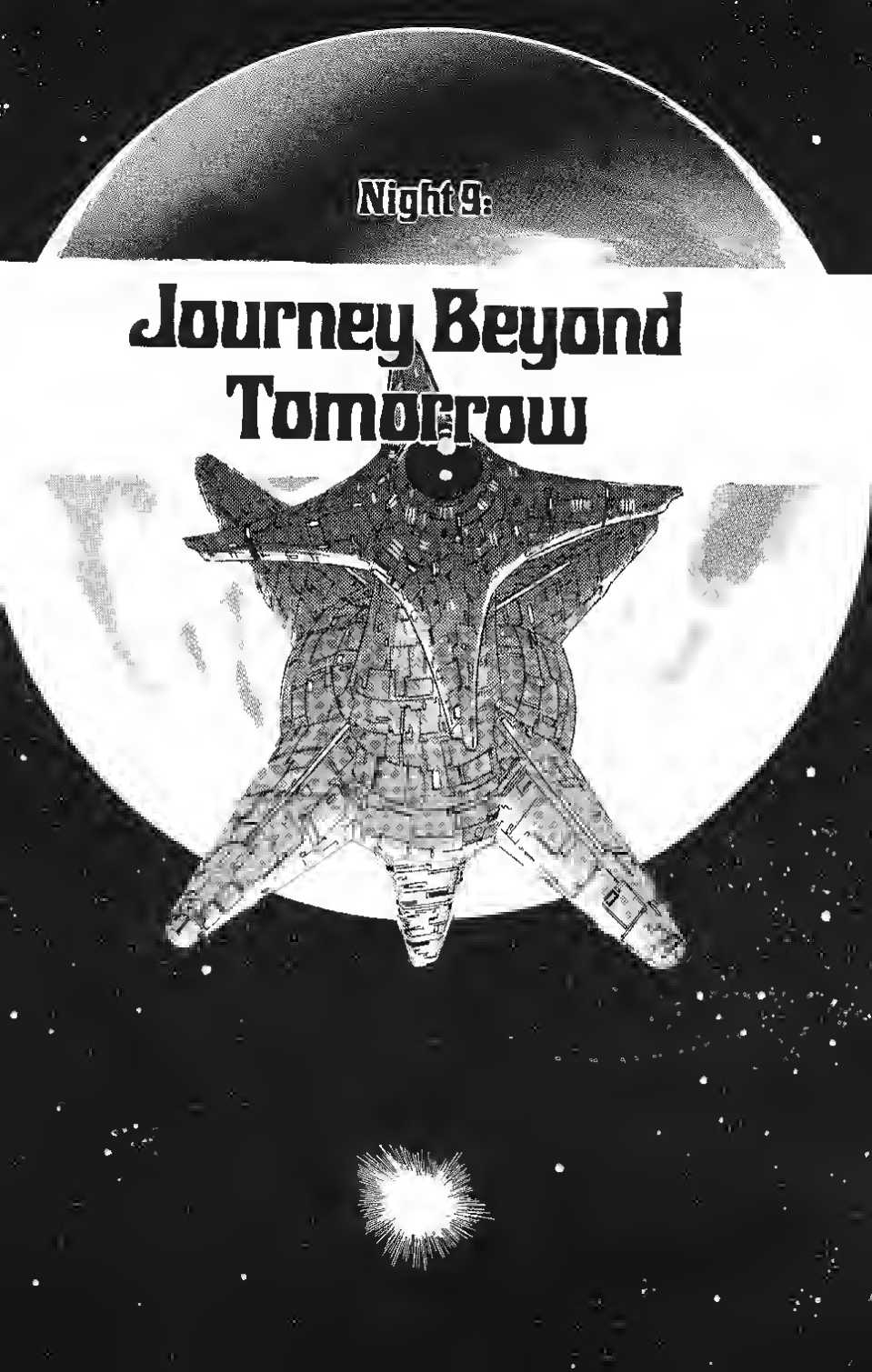


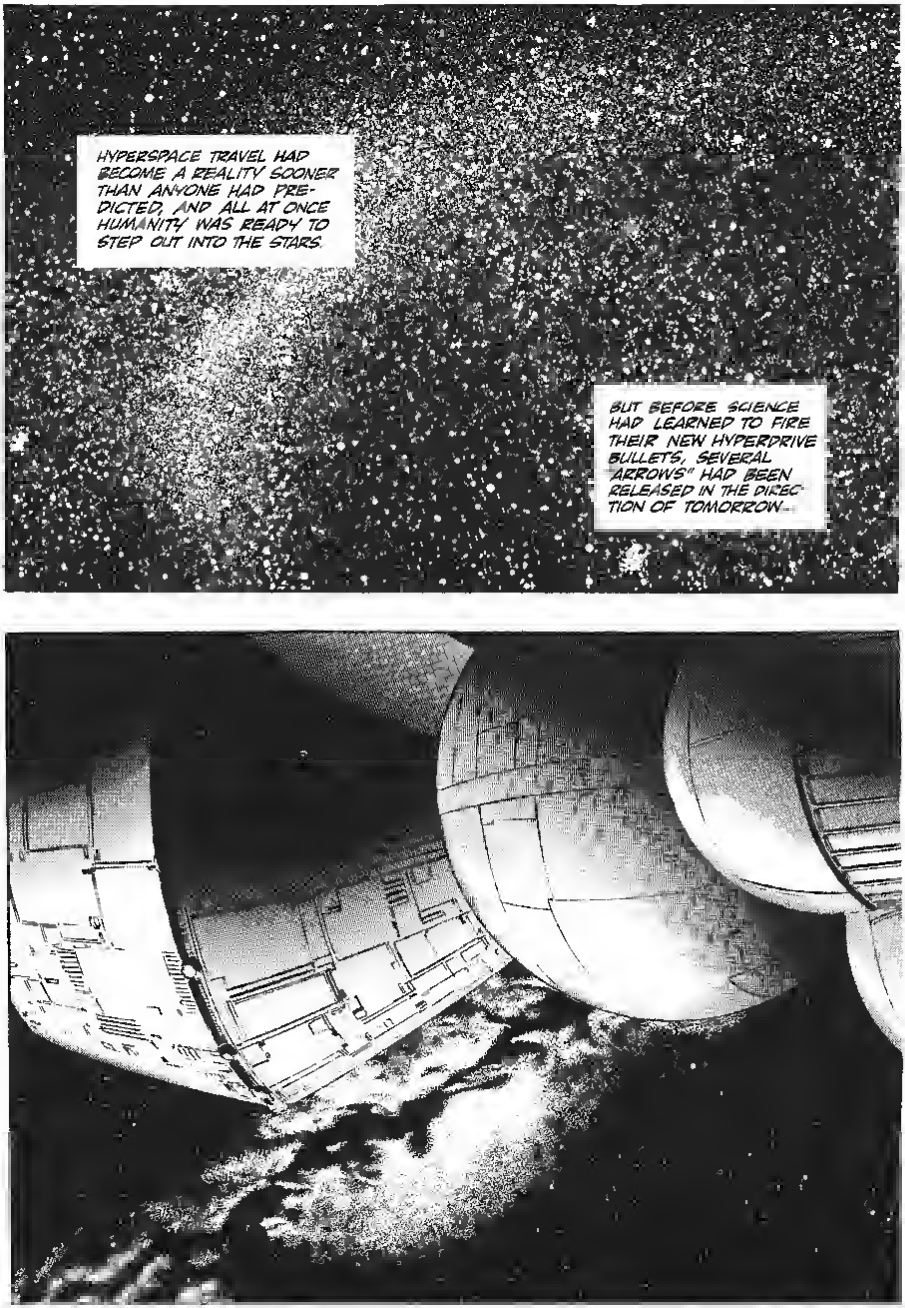



SIX YEARS LATER THE MYU DRIVE WAS PERFECTED AND PUT INTO PRACTICAL USE HYPERSPACE NAVIGATION WAS ABLE TO LEAP INFINITE DISTANCES IN A MOMENT.
HUMANITY'S FASTER-THAN-LIGHT ADVANCE TO DISTANT STARS HAD BEGUN...

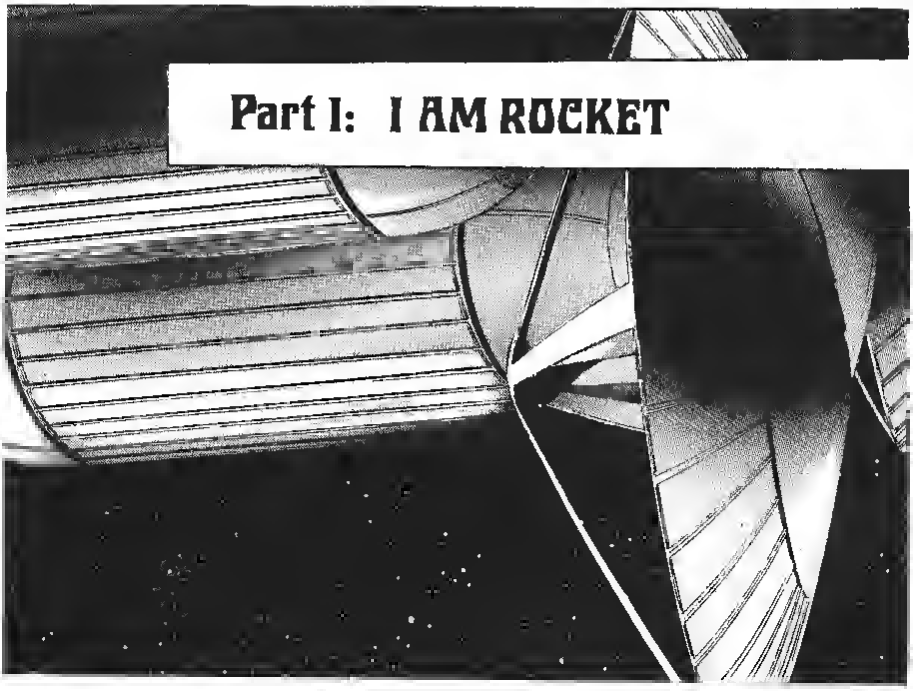
Night 9:

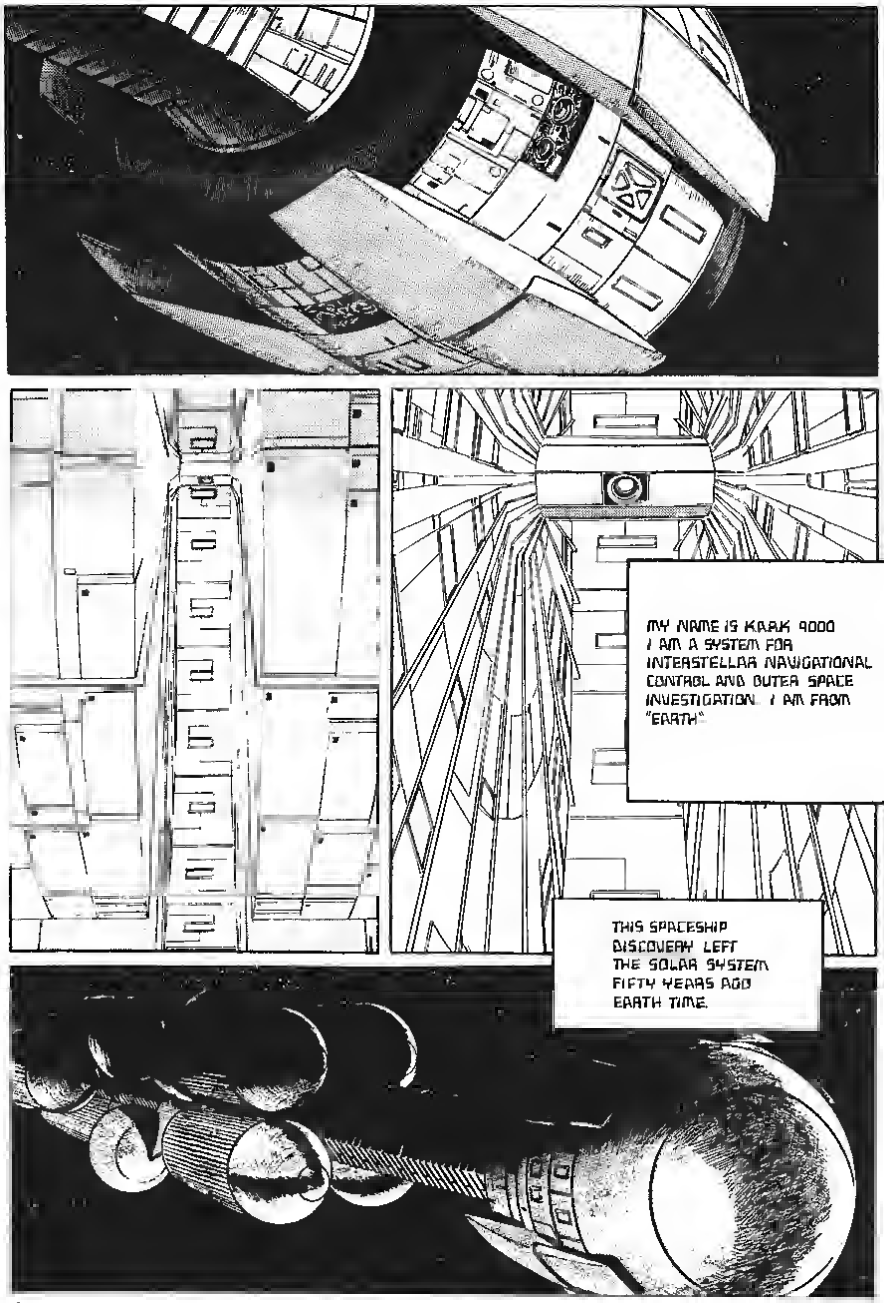
Journey Beyond Tomorrow

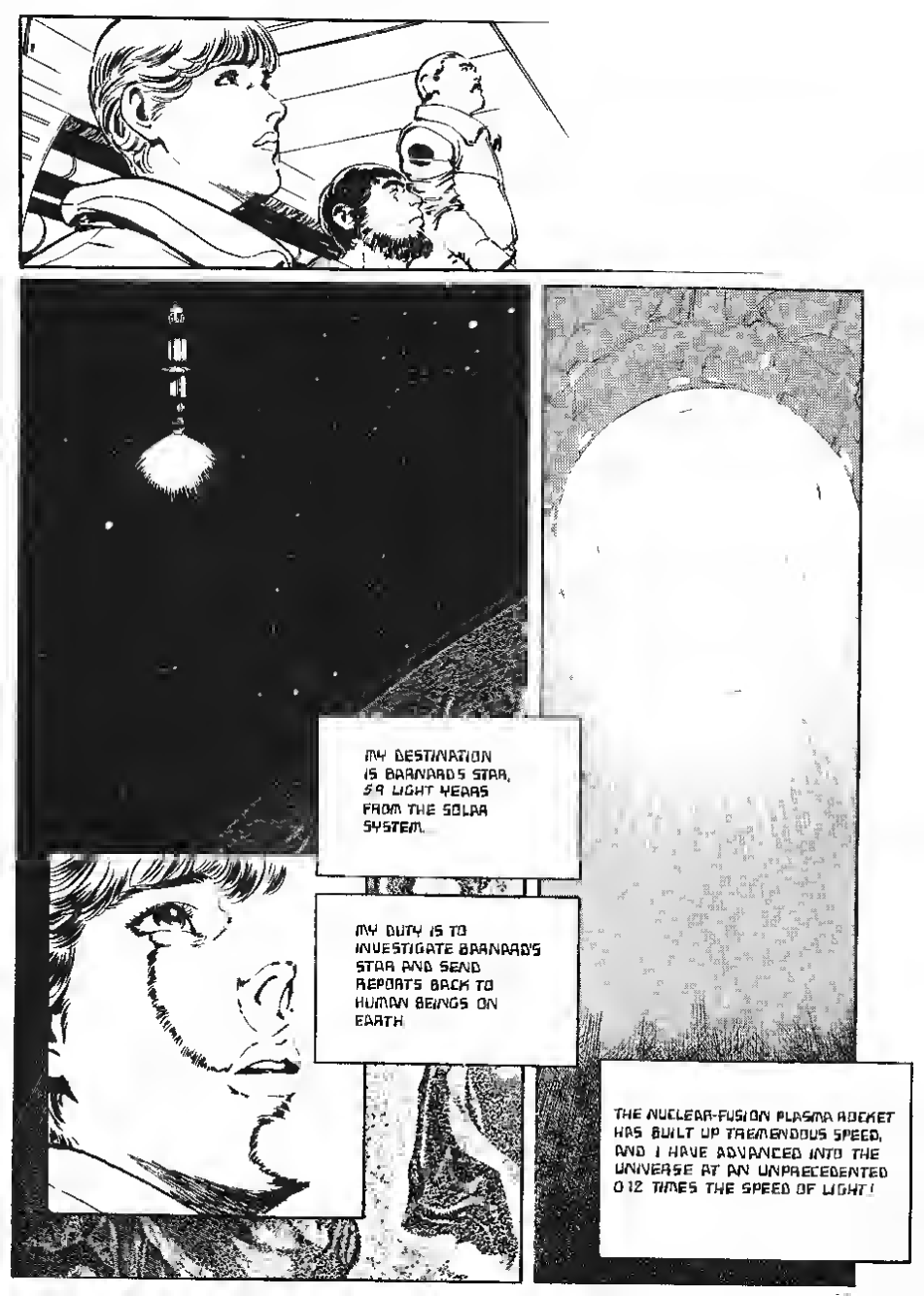


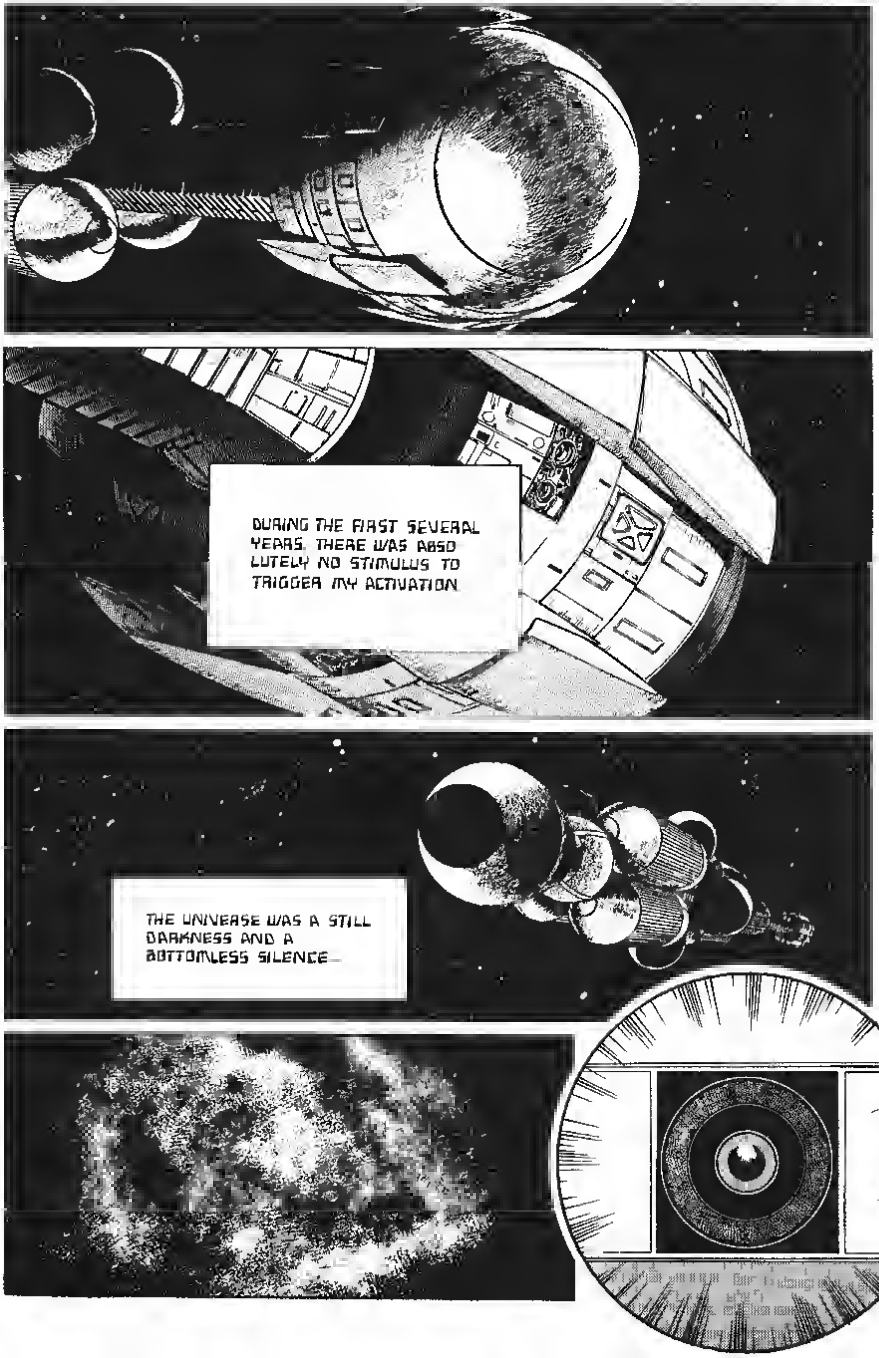

HYPERSPACE TRAVEL HAD BECOME A REALITY SOONER THAN ANYONE HAD PREDICTED, AND ALL AT ONCE HUMANITY WAS READY TO STEP OUT INTO THE STARS.
BUT BEFORE SCIENCE HAD LEARNED TO FIRE THEIR NEW HYPERDRIVE BULLETS, SEVERAL "ARROWS" HAD BEEN RELEASED IN THE DIRECTION OF TOMORROW—

FASTER-THAN-LIGHT SHIPS HAD QUICKLY OVERTAKEN MAN'S FIRST LINE OF SPACE EXPLORATION...

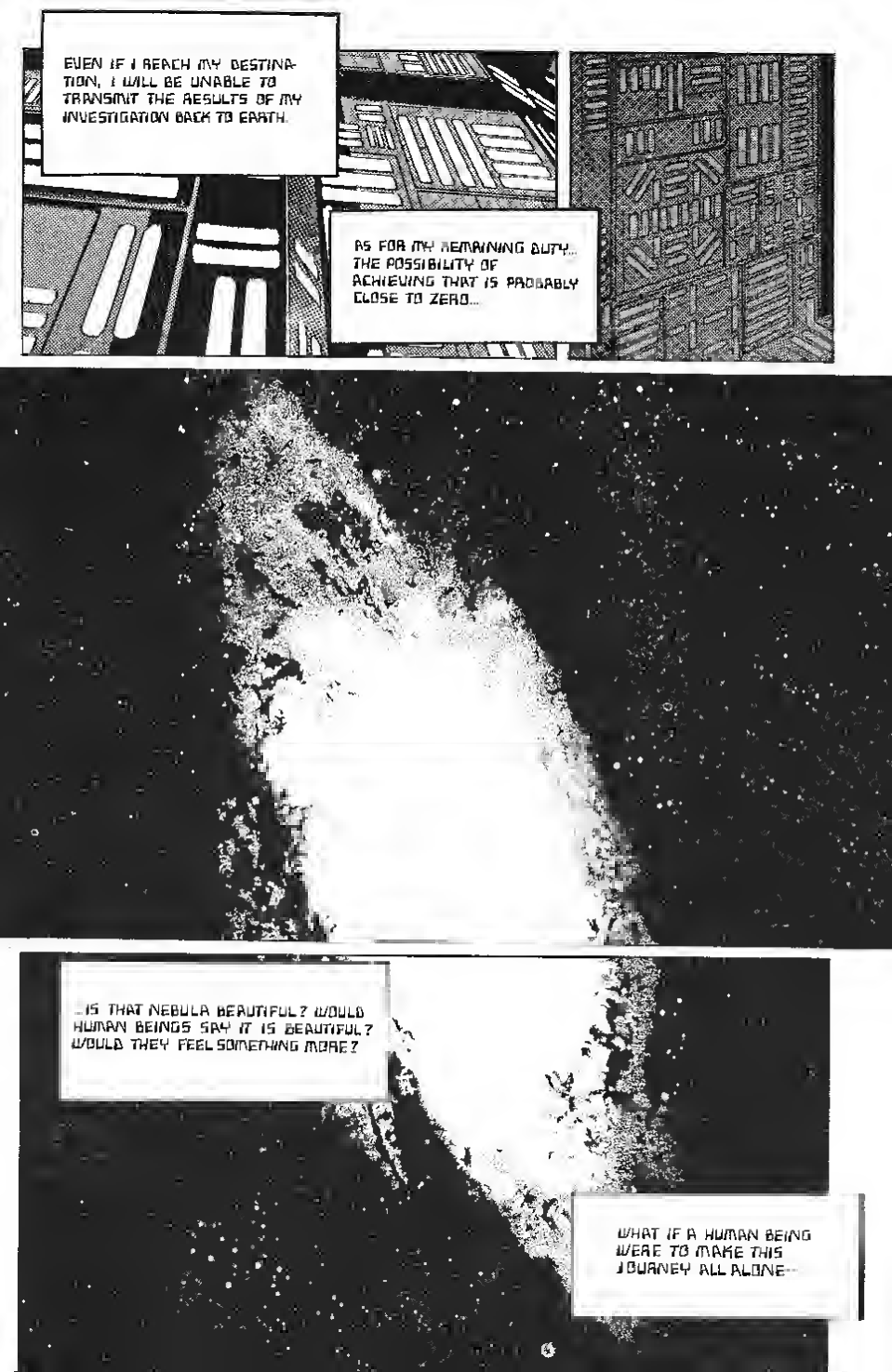

Part 1: I AM ROCKET

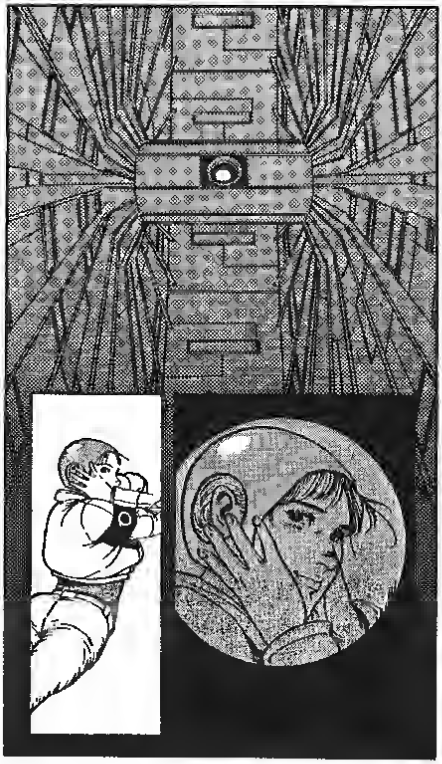

MY NAME IS KARK 9000
I AM A SYSTEM FOR INTERSTELLAR NAVIGATIONAL CONTROL AND OUTER SPACE INVESTIGATION. I AM FROM "EARTH".
THIS SPACESHIP DISCOVERY LEFT THE SOLAR SYSTEM FIFTY YEARS AGO EARTH TIME.

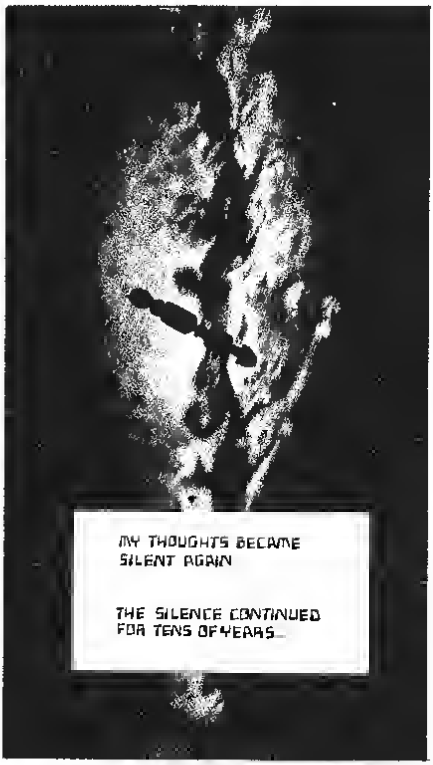

MY DESTINATION IS BARNARD'S STAR, 5.9 LIGHT YEARS FROM THE SOLAR SYSTEM.
MY DUTY IS TO INVESTIGATE BARNARD'S STAR AND SEND REPORTS BACK TO HUMAN BEINGS ON EARTH.
THE NUCLEAR-FUSION PLASMA ROCKET HAS BUILT UP TREMENDOUS SPEED, AND I HAVE ADVANCED INTO THE UNIVERSE AT AN UNPRECEDENTED 0.12 TIMES THE SPEED OF LIGHT!

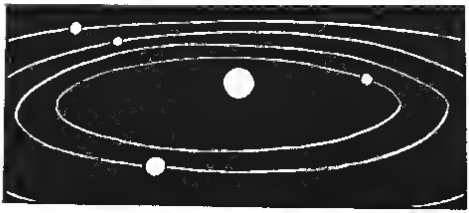

DURING THE FIRST SEVERAL YEARS, THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO STIMULUS TO TRIGGER MY ACTIVATION.
THE UNIVERSE WAS A STILL DARKNESS AND A BOTTOMLESS SILENCE—

DAMAGE: LEVEL A
NATURE: CORROSION DAMAGE TO FOUR ANTENNAS
CAUSE: MINUTE COLLISIONS FROM PASSING THROUGH RELATIVELY DENSE AND FAST-MOVING INTERSTELLAR GAS. RELATIVE SPEED 0.27 TIMES THE SPEED OF LIGHT.
RESULT: CONTACT WITH EARTH IMPOSSIBLE
AT THIS POINT MY DUTY HAS LOST NINETY EIGHT PERCENT OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE.

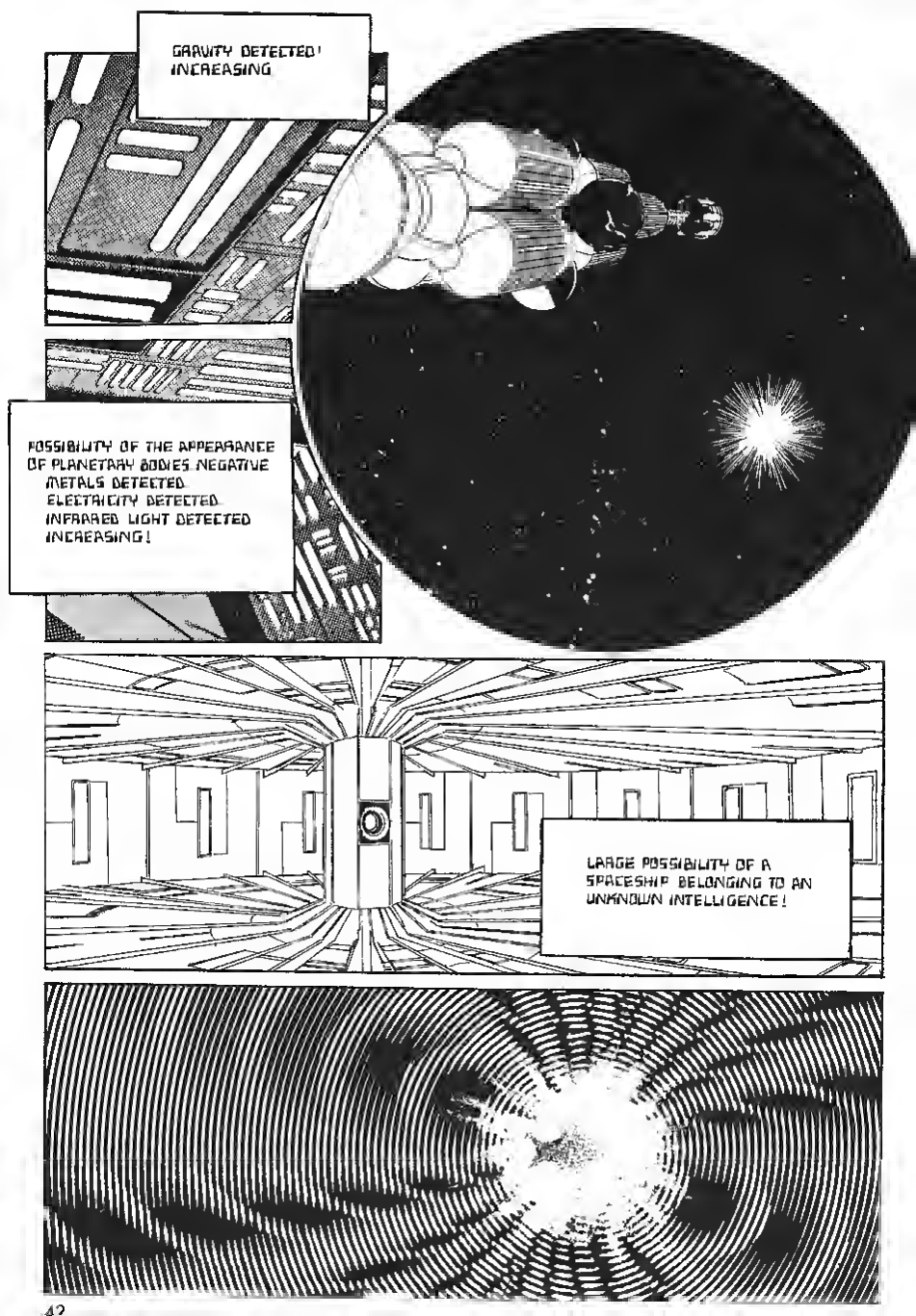

EVEN IF I REACH MY DESTINATION, I WILL BE UNABLE TO TRANSMIT THE RESULTS OF MY INVESTIGATION BACK TO EARTH.
AS FOR MY REMAINING DUTY... THE POSSIBILITY OF ACHIEVING THAT IS PROBABLY CLOSE TO ZERO...
...IS THAT NEBULA BEAUTIFUL? WOULD HUMAN BEINGS SAY IT IS BEAUTIFUL? WOULD THEY FEEL SOMETHING MORE?
WHAT IF A HUMAN BEING WERE TO MAKE THIS JOURNEY ALL ALONE...




MY THOUGHTS BECAME SILENT AGAIN
THE SILENCE CONTINUED FOR TENS OF YEARS...



THE BARNARD SYSTEM--THIS IS MY DESTINATION. FIFTY YEARS TRAVEL FROM THE SOLAR SYSTEM.


GRAVITY DETECTED!
INCREASING
POSSIBILITY OF THE APPEARANCE OF PLANETARY BODIES NEGATIVE
METALS DETECTED
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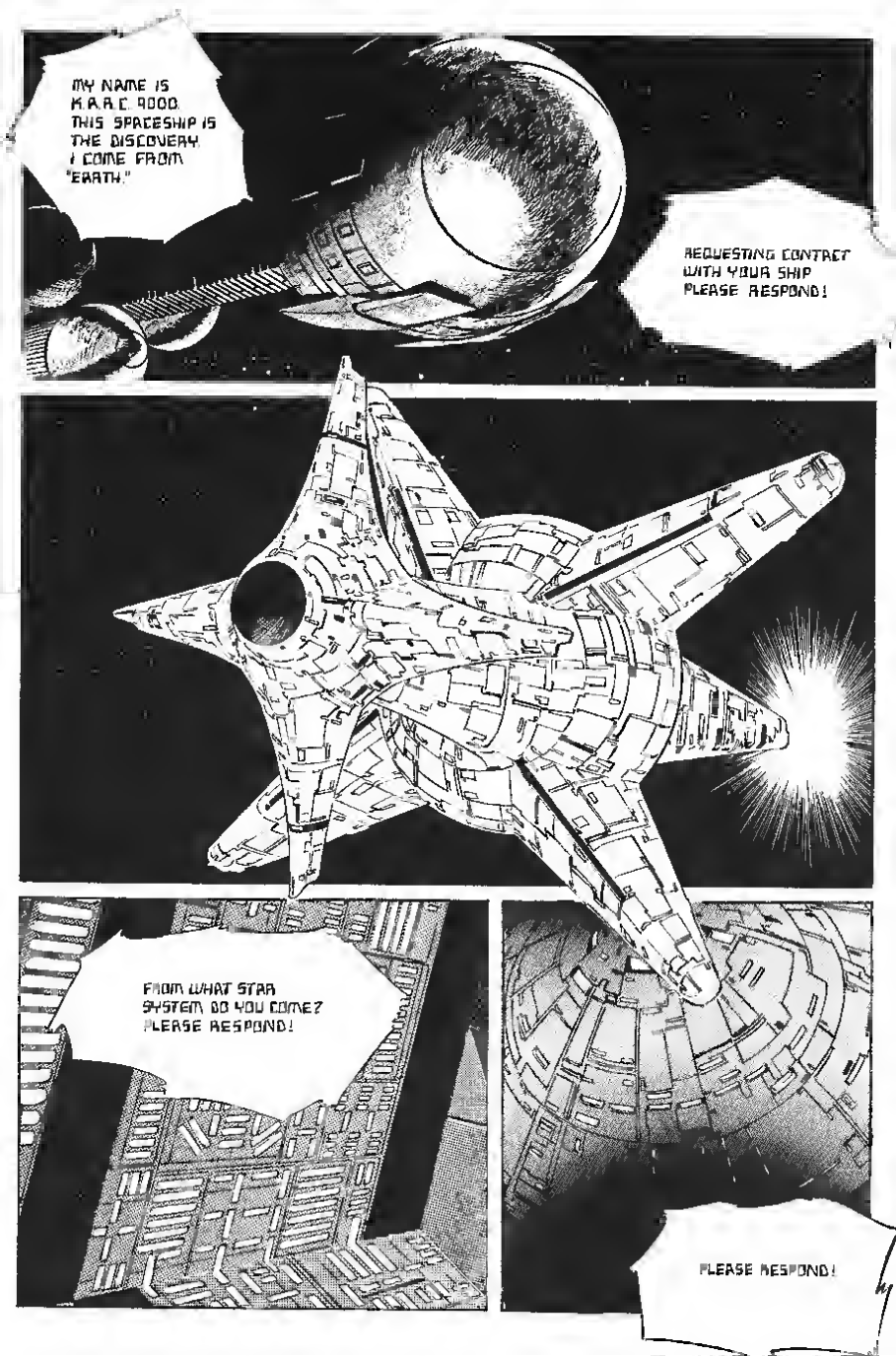
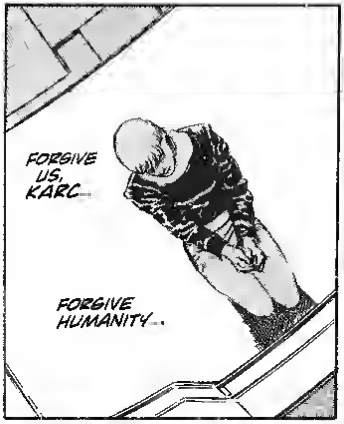
INCREASING!
LARGE POSSIBILITY OF A SPACESHIP BELONGING TO AN UNKNOWN INTELLIGENCE!

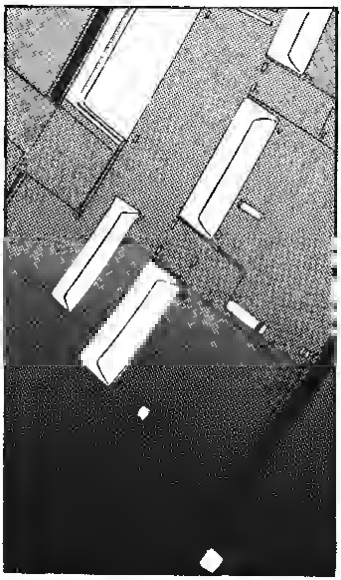

MY NAME IS K.A.R.E. 9000. THIS SPACESHIP IS THE DISCOVERY. I COME FROM "EARTH."
REQUESTING CONTACT WITH YOUR SHIP PLEASE RESPOND!
FROM WHAT STAR SYSTEM DO YOU COME? PLEASE RESPOND!
PLEASE RESPOND!

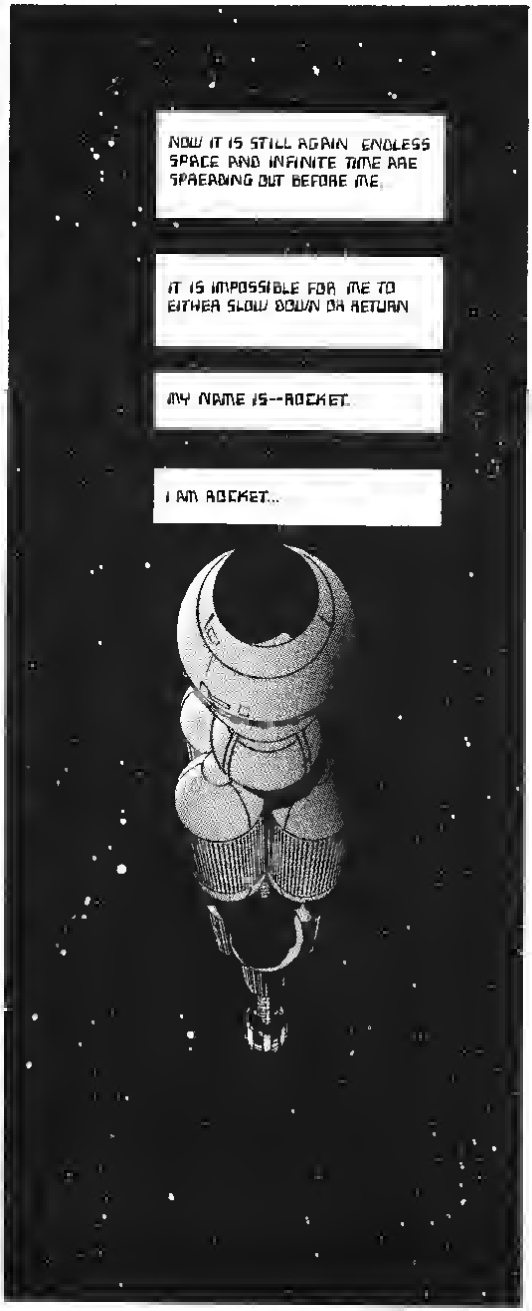
DISCOVERY...!? BUT ISN'T THAT AN UNMANNED PROBE WE LOST CONTACT WITH YEARS AGO!?
IT'S SURVIVED !?
TRANSMIT! HURRY! ASK IF IT'S HAD CONTACT WITH ANY INTELLIGENCE UP TO NOW!
THERE'S NO NEED FOR THAT. SEVER CONTACT!
CAPTAIN.. !?
WHAT'S OUR SPEED ?
ABOVE 0.1 TIMES THE SPEED OF LIGHT, CAPTAIN. IN FIVE MINUTES WE'LL PASS THIS STAR SYSTEM. RENDEZVOUS IS IMPOSSIBLE...

WE'VE CAUGHT UP WITH IT...
IN A FLASH, OUR HYPERSPACECRAFT HAS OVERTAKEN DISCOVERY, WHICH STARTED ITS JOURNEY FIFTY YEARS AGO!
...THAT'S HOW IT IS, K.A.R.C. 9000's JOURNEY WAS COMPLETELY MEANINGLESS.
HANG ONTO YOUR HAT, KARC, OLD BUDDY!
I CAN'T TELL YOU THAT, KARC. I CAN'T...
PLEASE RESPOND! PLEASE RESPOND!
KARC, YOU'VE JUST BEEN COMPLETED, BUT YOU'RE A LITTLE, WELL, BLANK.
...YOU'RE NOW GOING TO HAVE TO COMMIT TO MEMORY A HUGE AMOUNT OF DATA TRANSMITTED FROM EARTH-- AND IT'S COMING FAST.
I'VE LEARNED ALL THE INFORMATION RELATING TO EARTHLINGS FOR WHEN I COME IN CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN CIVILIZATION!

FIFTY YEARS...

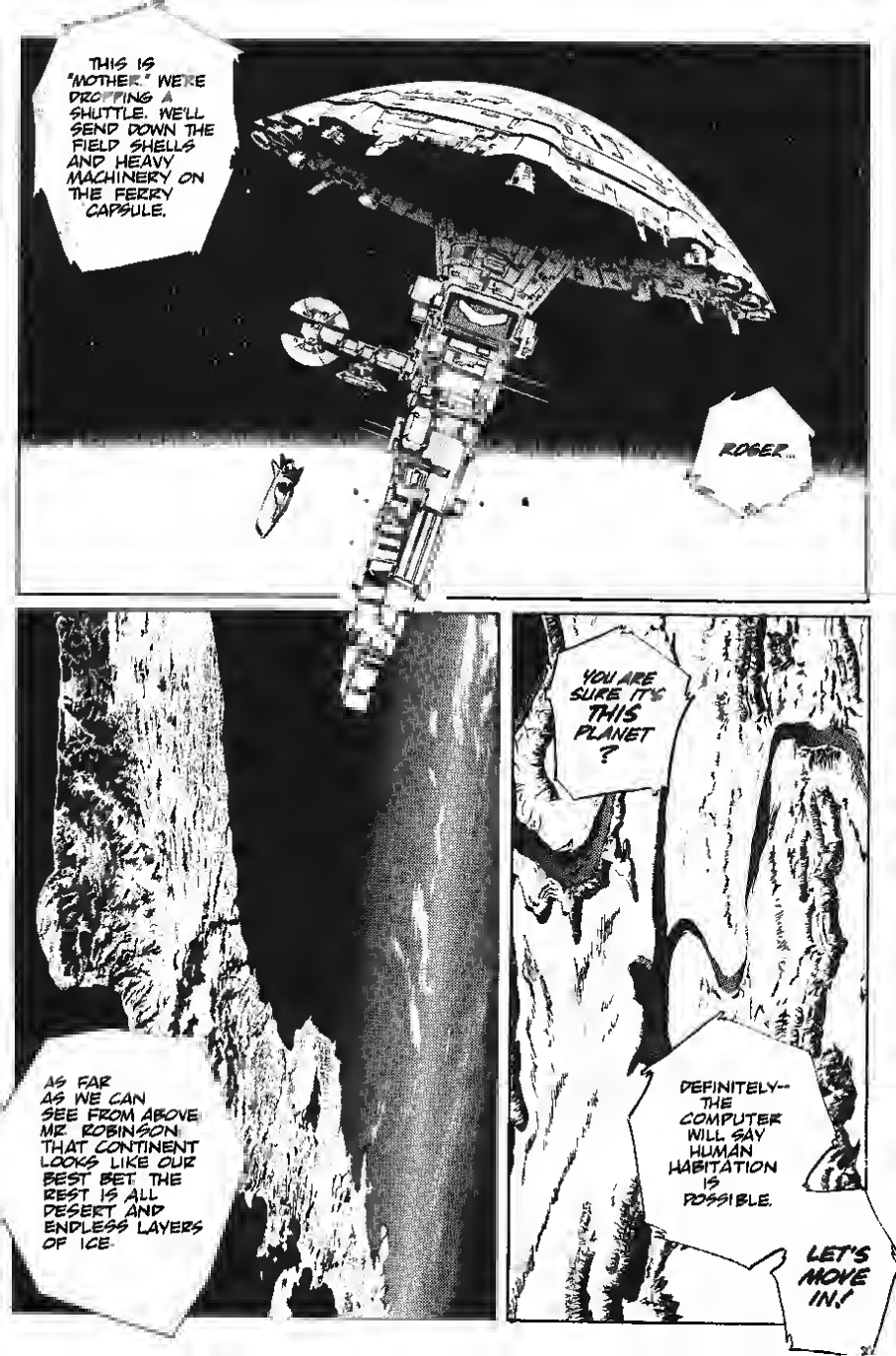

FORGIVE US, KARC...
FORGIVE HUMANITY...



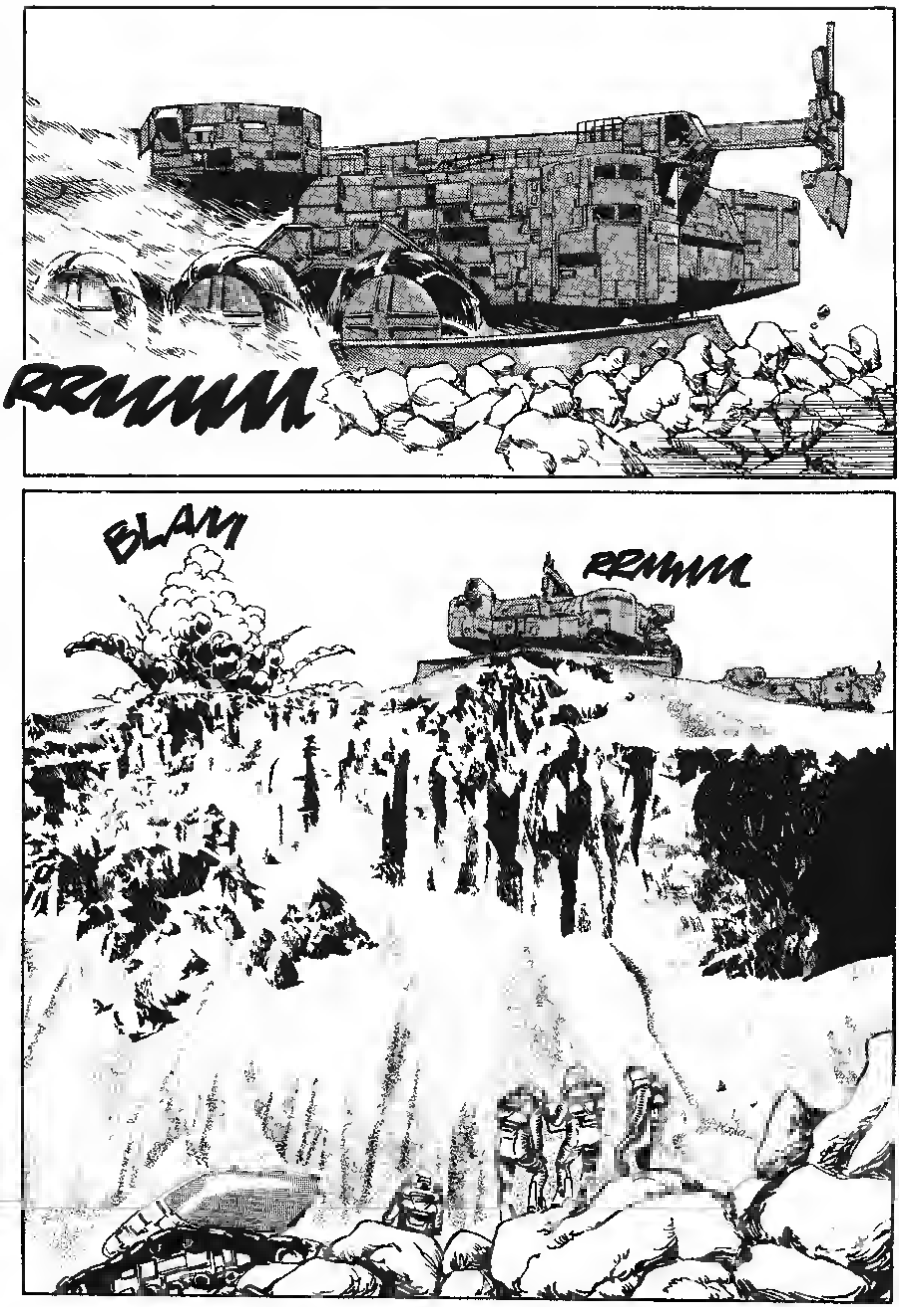

NOW IT IS STILL AGAIN ENDLESS SPACE AND INFINITE TIME ARE SPREADING OUT BEFORE ME.
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO EITHER SLOW DOWN OR RETURN
MY NAME IS--ROCKET.
I AM ROCKET...

Part II: A GIFT FROM EARTH

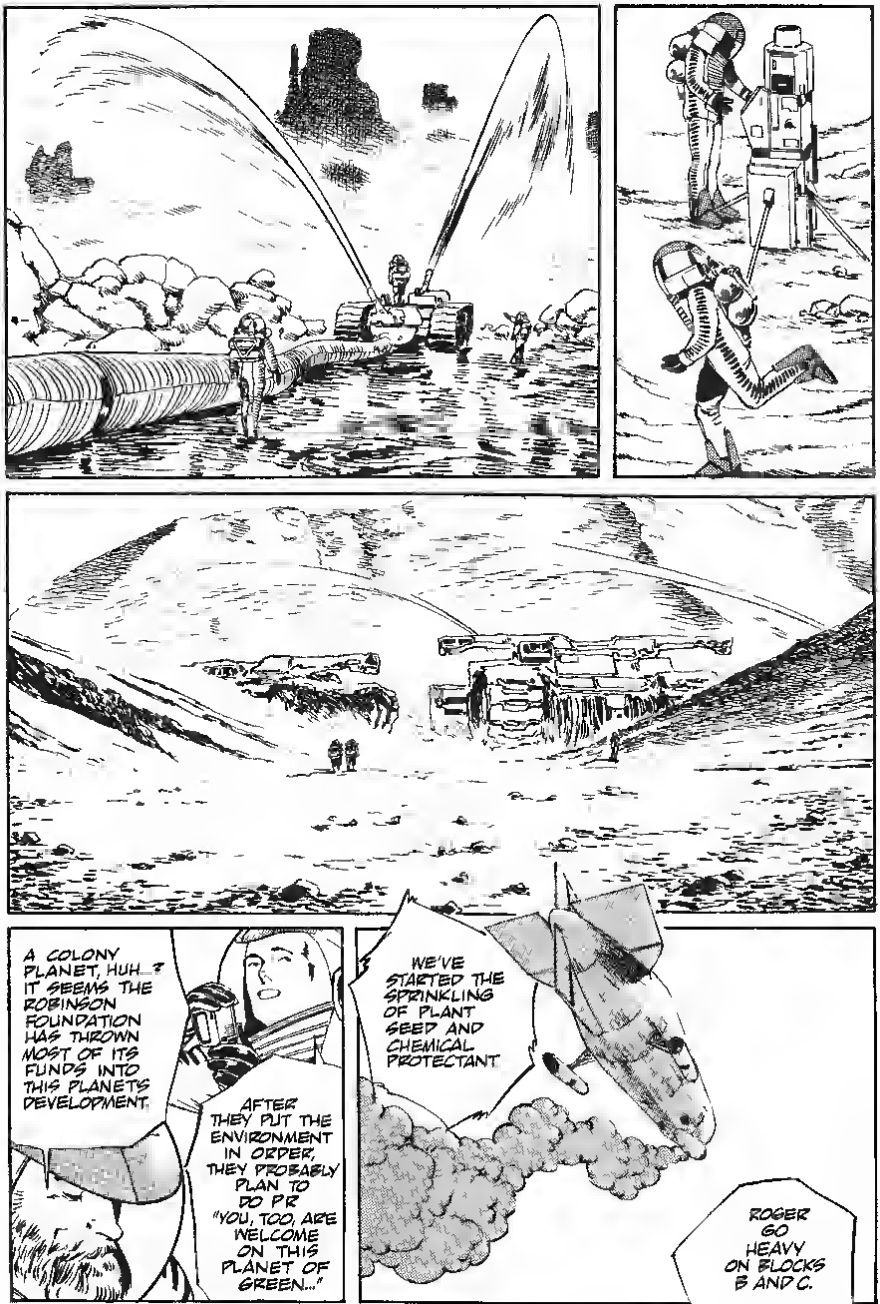
JONK
...A STUPID PLANET LIKE THIS--


THIS IS "MOTHER." WE'RE DROPPING A SHUTTLE. WE'LL SEND DOWN THE FIELD SHELLS AND HEAVY MACHINERY ON THE FERRY CAPSULE.
ROGER...
AS FAR AS WE CAN SEE FROM ABOVE, MR. ROBINSON, THAT CONTINENT LOOKS LIKE OUR BEST BET. THE REST IS ALL DESERT AND ENDLESS LAYERS OF ICE.
YOU ARE SURE IT'S THIS PLANET ?
DEFINITELY-- THE COMPUTER WILL SAY HUMAN HABITATION IS POSSIBLE.
LET'S MOVE IN!

KABLAM
SKSSSHH

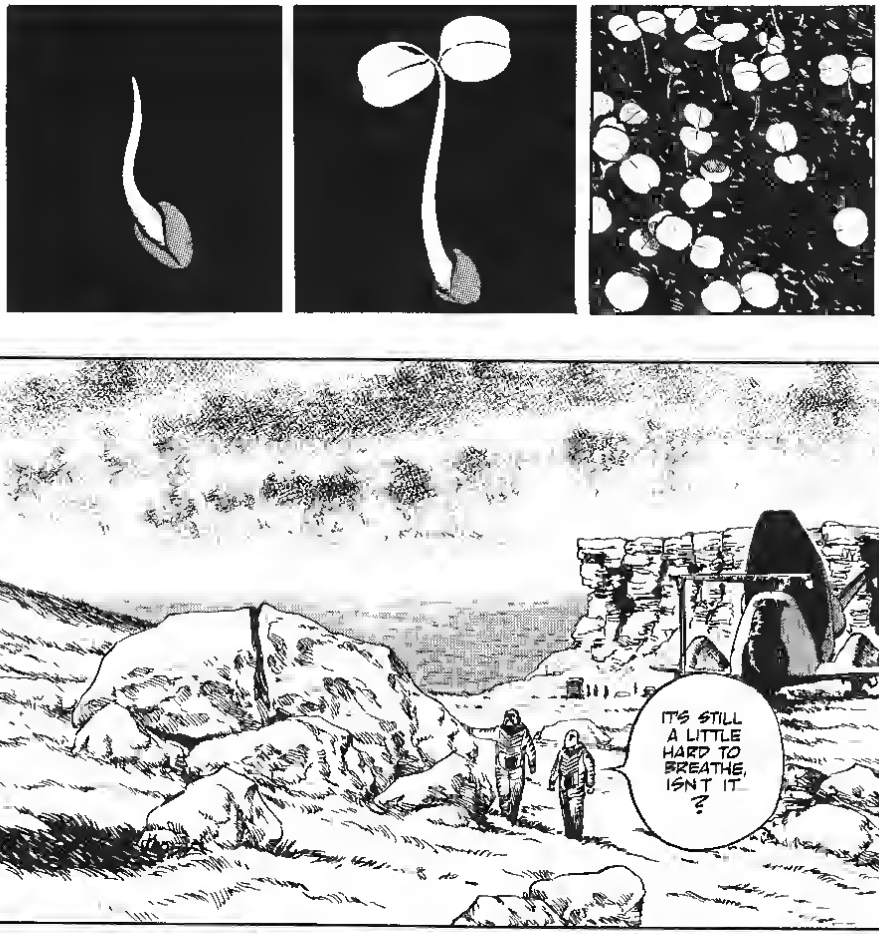

RRMMM
BLAM
RRMMM

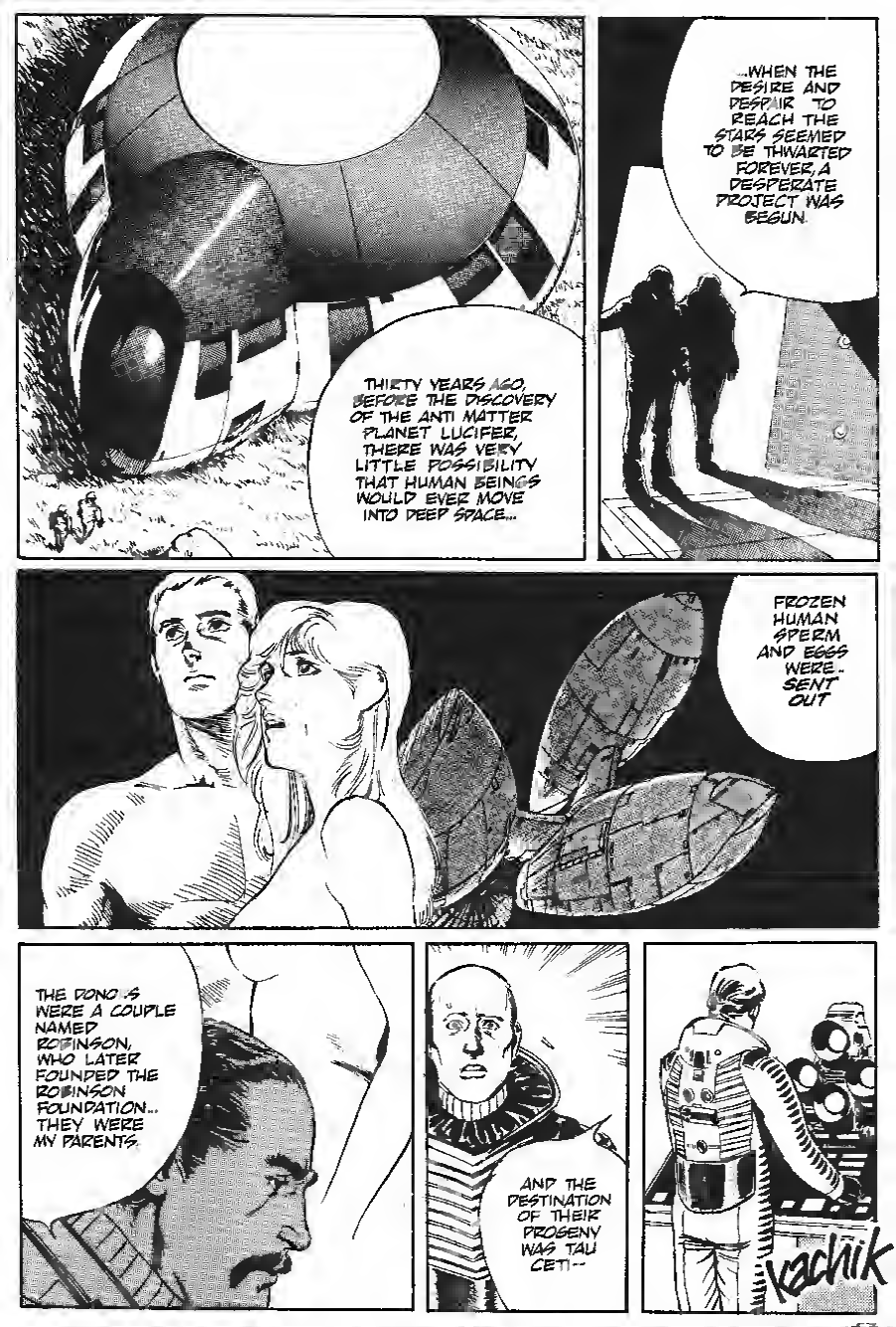
FOR NOW WE'LL JUST GO UP TO THIS LINE HERE WE'LL PULVERIZE THIS BIG MOUND OF ROCKS AND MAKE IT INTO SOIL.
THROW ALL THE FIELD SHELLS AND BRANDDOZERS WE'VE GOT INTO IT.
WE'VE GOT TO MAKE THE ATMOSPHERE AND CRUST AS ORGANIC AS POSSIBLE HOW ABOUT THE REINFORCED MICROORGANISMS ?
KEHLE, YOU START THE PREPARATIONS FOR SPRINKLING THIS PLATEAU WITH SEA WATER.
ROGER, MR ROBINSON
MULTIPLYING SMOOTHLY IN TIME, THEY SHOULD INCREASE THE OXYGEN CONTENT OF THE ATMOSPHERE BY ONE PERCENT.
GOOD. MAKE SURE WE USE ENVIRONMENT-STABILIZING BACTERIA AT THE APPROPRIATE STAGE...
...ALSO, IT SEEMS THERE ARE SOME PRIMITIVE LIFE FORMS IN THE OCEAN. IF YOU FIND ANY THAT ARE DANGEROUS, TAKE SAMPLES.
THE OCEAN... THEY'LL PROBABLY LAND ON THE OCEAN FIRST...

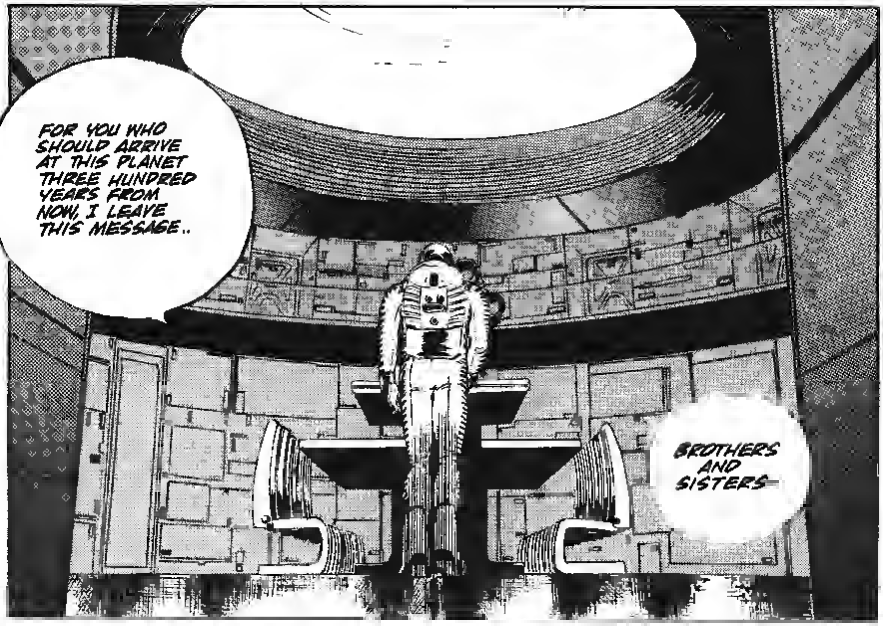

A COLONY PLANET, HUH...? IT SEEMS THE ROBINSON FOUNDATION HAS THROWN MOST OF ITS FUNDS INTO THIS PLANET'S DEVELOPMENT.
AFTER THEY PUT THE ENVIRONMENT IN ORDER, THEY PROBABLY PLAN TO DO PR "YOU, TOO, ARE WELCOME ON THIS PLANET OF GREEN..."
WE'VE STARTED THE SPRINKLING OF PLANT SEED AND CHEMICAL PROTECTANT.
ROGER GO HEAVY ON BLOCKS B AND C.

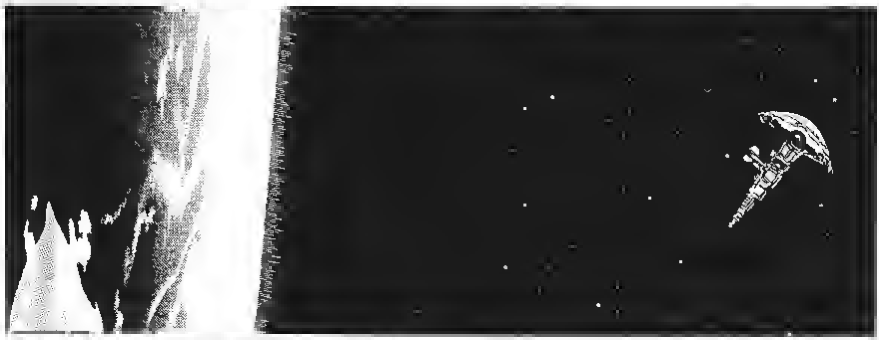
GRRRR CHK
GRRRR CHK
THERE !
GRRRR

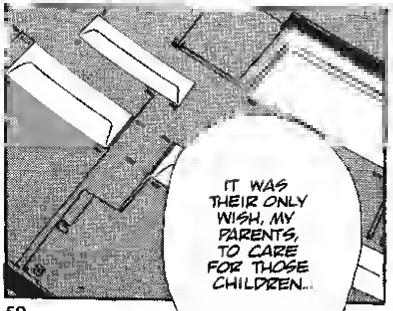
IT SEEMS THIS CONTINENT'S YEAR IS DIVIDED INTO A WET SEASON AND A DRY SEASON. THE TEMPERATURE PROBABLY VARIES ABOUT FIFTEEN DEGREES CELSIUS
IT'S NOT SUCH A BAD ENVIRONMENT FOR HUMANS TO LIVE IN.
OF THE SEEDS WE PLANTED, AT LEAST THE TROPICAL RAIN FOREST TYPES ARE SURE TO PROPAGATE, MISTER ROBINSON.
BUT I WARN YOU..
..THIS IS AN ALIEN PLANET. WE SHOULD CONSIDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTRUCTURING TO BE STRICTLY TEMPORARY.
I DON'T KNOW IF YOUR FOUNDATION PLANS TO MAKE IT A COLONY PLANET OR DIVIDE IT UP AND SELL "SUMMER HOMES"
BUT YOU CAN'T GET A GRIP ON AN ALIEN PLANET'S ECOSYSTEM IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME...
EVEN AFTER ALL OUR HARD WORK, THIS PLANET MAY REVERT TO ITS ORIGINAL CONDITION IN, SAY, SIX HUNDRED YEARS.
I MUST WARN YOU AS YOUR SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR, MR ROBINSON..
SIX HUNDRED YEARS..?
THAT SHOULD BE LONG ENOUGH.

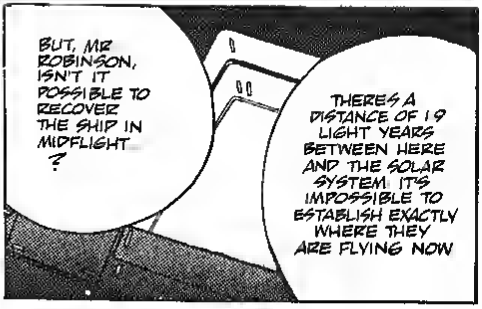

IT'S STILL A LITTLE HARD TO BREATHE, ISN'T IT?
EVENTUALLY THE RESPIRATION OF THESE PLANTS SHOULD INCREASE THE PLANET'S OXYGEN LEVEL.
LOOK BEFORE WE TAKE OFF I WANT TO LEAVE A MESSAGE-- ARE YOU COMING?
A MESSAGE? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?


THIRTY YEARS AGO, BEFORE THE DISCOVERY OF THE ANTI MATTER PLANET LUCIFER, THERE WAS VERY LITTLE POSSIBILITY THAT HUMAN BEINGS WOULD EVER MOVE INTO DEEP SPACE...
...WHEN THE DESIRE AND DESPAIR TO REACH THE STARS SEEMED TO BE THWARTED FOREVER, A DESPERATE PROJECT WAS BEGUN.
FROZEN HUMAN SPERM AND EGGS WERE... SENT OUT
THE DONORS WERE A COUPLE NAMED ROBINSON, WHO LATER FOUNDED THE ROBINSON FOUNDATION... THEY WERE MY PARENTS.
AND THE DESTINATION OF THEIR PROGENY WAS TAU CETI--
Kachik


FOR YOU WHO SHOULD ARRIVE AT THIS PLANET THREE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW, I LEAVE THIS MESSAGE..
BROTHERS AND SISTERS—




IT WAS THEIR ONLY WISH, MY PARENTS, TO CARE FOR THOSE CHILDREN..


BUT, MR ROBINSON, ISN'T IT POSSIBLE TO RECOVER THE SHIP IN MIDFLIGHT ?
THERE'S A DISTANCE OF 19 LIGHT YEARS BETWEEN HERE AND THE SOLAR SYSTEM. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH EXACTLY WHERE THEY ARE FLYING NOW

SIX HUNDRED YEARS.. BY THEN A GROUP OF EXPLORERS FROM EARTH WILL PROBABLY ENCOUNTER THEM.
THIS IS ALL I CAN DO FOR THEM RIGHT NOW...
BROTHERS AND SISTERS-- MY YET UNBORN BROTHERS AND SISTERS
FLYING TOWARD THIS, YOUR NEW HOME, FROM SOMEWHERE IN THE DARKNESS OF SPACE

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS SMALL GIFT.
AND PLEASE REMEMBER--
YOUR FATHER, YOUR MOTHER, AND I ARE WITH YOU--